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Days '63 to address Class of 1994, receive degree at Commencement

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United States Solicitor General Drew S. Days III '63 will address the Class of 1994 at Commencement on Sunday, May 22. Days will also receive an honorary degree at the ceremony. The announcement of his selection as speaker and degree recipient came on Thursday afternoon.

Days has been prominently mentioned this week as a possible nominee to replace retiring Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun. The New York Times, in an editorial yesterday stated, "Drew Days, the Solicitor General, is one candidate who would likely get speedy confirmation."

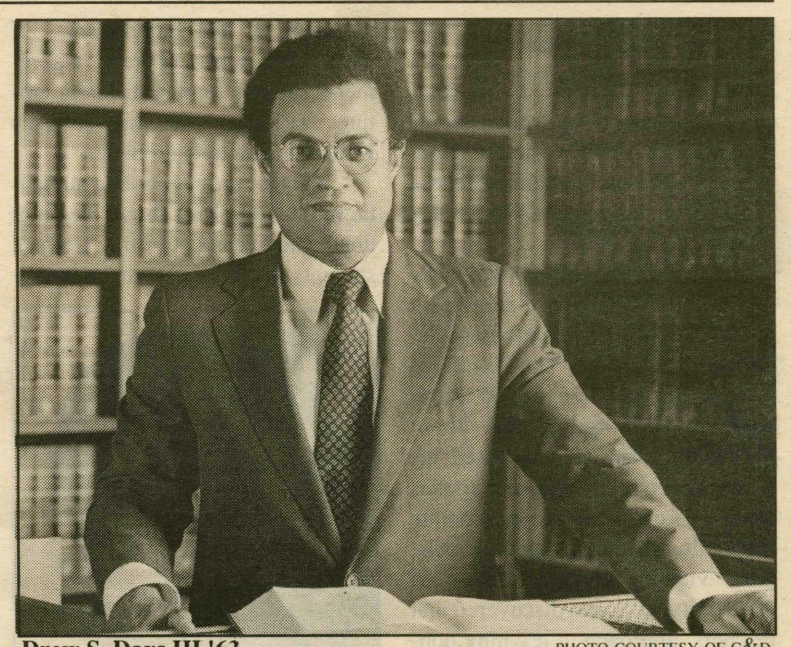
Senate Judiciary Committee member Patrick Leahy commenting on Days told *USA Today*, "[Days] would be seen by both Republicans and Democrats as a person who is being picked for competence and ideology."

"We are excited about the possible nomination of a Hamilton alumnus for a seat on the Supreme Court," said President Eugene Tobin. "We are equally delighted that he will return to Clinton to deliver this year's Commencement address. His stature and unquestioned integrity bring honor to the College and the country."

Following graduation from Hamilton in 1963 with a degree in English, Days enrolled in the Yale School of Law, receiving his LL.B. in 1966. He then worked in private practice in Chicago for one year before he and his wife spent the next two years in Honduras as Peace Corps volunteers.

Upon his return to the United States, Days worked as a civil rights lawyer for the NAACP Legal Defence Fund. He was subsequently chosen by President Jimmy Carter to become Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice. He served there from 1977 until 1980, before joining the faculty at the Yale School of Law in 1981.

At the time President Clinton nominated him to his current position, he was the Alfred M. Rankin Professor of Law.



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Nearly 450 students will receive bachelor's degrees at this year's Commencement which will mark the end of Hamilton's 182nd academic year. The names of the additional recipients of honorary degrees will be released several weeks prior to the ceremony, said Tobin.

Administration releases results of Residential Life survey

BY GABRIEL MEYER '96
NEWS EDITOR

The long awaited results of the Hamilton College Residential Life survey were made public to the the entire community last Friday. Contained in a book more than 200 pages long, the results will play a significant role in shaping the final recommendations of the ongoing Residential Life Study.

The results are based upon responses from 1,259 students, 128 faculty members, and 150 prospective students who visited Hamilton and were later interviewed by telephone.

The survey results were first released to a select group of trustees, administrators, faculty, and students at the trustee meeting last month. George Dehne, whose firm George Dehne and Associates was employed by Hamilton to conduct the survey, was there to personally report the findings. The book containing the survey results will remain on reserve in the Burke Library.

Nearly 100 pages of the results are devoted to various cross tabulations using the data collected from the survey. The results are broken down in numerous ways including by gender, class year, and according to special interests. In the back of the book lie the results that are certain to be of greatest interest to most students. They are statistical graphs derived from the responses of all 1,259 students who completed the survey when it was conducted last semester.

Those who have been anxiously awaiting the survey results in hope of being able to foretell Hamilton's future may be disappointed. Though all the results are contained in the book, there are few decisive enough to alone dictate future residential life policies.

"I think it's to early to tell," said President Eugene Tobin of drawing any early conclusions from the survey results. He emphasized that the survey is only one aspect of the of the Residential Life Study that will be considered along with many other factors.

Final recommendations from the study will also be based, in part, upon input from faculty groups, visits conducted by Hamilton administrators and students to various liberal arts colleges around the country, and past studies conducted at Hamilton and other institutions.

Prior to the current study, the most recent Residential Life study at Hamilton was the Comprehensive Study on Residential Life conducted in 1987. It led to various modifications of the residential life program.

A committee to study the survey results and make recommendations on the Residential Life Study has been in the formation process in recent weeks. Eight or nine trustees, two students, two faculty members, and and two administrators from the Office of Residential Life will make up its membership.

Tobin stated his hope that the appointments to the committee will be announced in the near future so that work on the study can begin quickly. Recommendations, he hopes, will be made by December.

Tobin said he felt the survey results contained few surprises. Student expressed great interest in the offering of more college-sponsored, off-campus activities and a more flexible meal plan. To that end, a new

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Reorganized Student Assembly focuses on students' concerns

BY CHRIS MARCISZ '97
NEWS STAFF WRITER

This year, Student Assembly has made several changes to their infrastructure in an effort to help clarify its goals and become more goal-oriented.

The new system entails a division of the Assembly into several smaller committees, each with a specific set of goals and responsibilities.

According to Student Assembly President McLloyd Onwubere '95, the new set-up is designed to get the most things accomplished while continuing to "adhere to student opinion." It consists of the president, vice-president, treasurer, corresponding secretary, recording secretary, as well as all class presidents and class representativess.

Three of the committees are known as "project teams." Each is responsible for a examining a specific part of the Hamilton community. They include the Food/Parking team, the Role of the Residential Advisor team, and the Academic Policy team. Each of these groups is assigned the task of writing recommendations and proposals and sponsoring student surveys.

The Food and Parking committee is headed by Matt Outten '96. It is currently working on a new parking policy for students. So far, the team supports a parking lottery with emphasis placed on seniority. They would like to see this lottery take place sometime before the end of the spring semester, so that students would know their assignment well in advance. In an effort to get a grasp on student opinion on the issue, they held an open forum on Thursday night.

Another project team, headed by Kelly Overton '96, is evaluating the role of the Residential Advisor at Hamilton. A recent survey of R.A.s showed that there are good reason for evaluating their situation, as very few R.A.s actually returned their surveys. The team believes this hesitancy to be completely honest.

Of the responses received, many of the negative comments drew from questioning what Overton calls "the line between policeman and friend." Among the changes being considered for next year is having the health and safety inspections that are done

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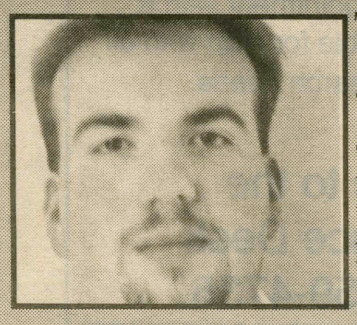

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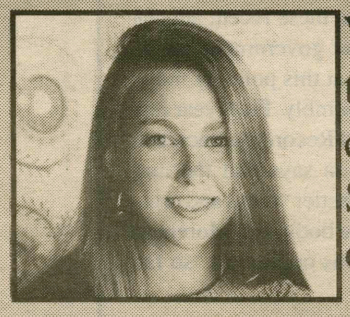

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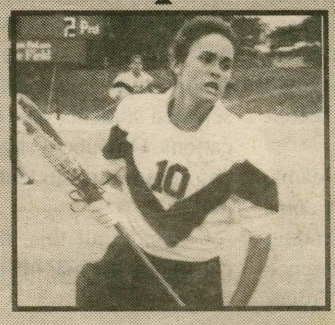


Women's Lacrosse wins first game. For details, turn to page 20.

Dinesh D'Souza lectures on need for revamped multiculturalism

By Bari Altberg '97
NEWS STAFF WRITER

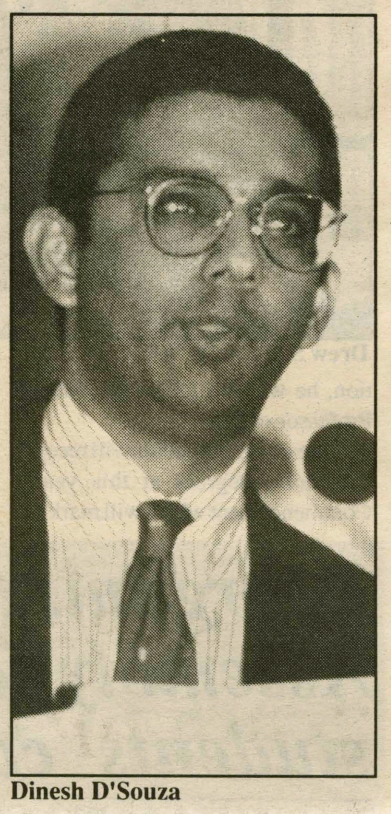
"Too many of our young people are unfamiliar with Western or Non-Western cultures," exclaimed Dinesh D'Souza at his lecture Wednesday night.

A former Domestic Policy Analyst at the White House and recent author of the controversial best seller, "Illiberal Education: The Politics of Race & Sex on Campus," D'Souza came to Hamilton to talk about multiculturalism. He expressed his view that colleges and universities are not doing enough to incorporate multiculturalism into their curricula. After viewing classes at Stanford University, D'Souza discovered that teachers' approach to teaching non-western cultures was to discuss Third World countries. Instead of embracing a mummified picture of multiculturalism, he said, one must begin to realize that the world is changing dramatically.

D'Souza spoke of an alternative plan to replace the fake mulitculturalism that sets up a false view of non-western cultures. His alternative is a sophisticated multiculture that draws on Western traditions, such as our curiosity, and it would open other doors as well.

There are three obstacles that stand in the way of doing this. Since the 1960's, most colleges have eliminated their ethnic studies requirements. This is detrimental to the cause of multiculturalism. If there were more coherent requirements ranging among different cultures, D'Souza said, then students would be able to learn better.

Another problem is that authentic multiculturalism should begin at home and expand outward. College students are expected to know the



Dinesh D'Souza

basic information about their own civilizations' history, before they can begin to understand about other cultures and civilizations. The third problem is that the traditional liberal arts curriculum is biased towards minorities.

"We are slowly, but surely, moving to a cultural Olympics in which each culture is moving to the reading lists of the colleges," said D'Souza.

He emphasized that liberal education shouldn't be about shoving students into narrow categories, but instead it should be a tool to help the students put themselves in the places of different people. A liberal education provides the students with a chance to search for a critical perspective, to learn from and to help them to change. It should be an effort to cross the moral and ethical boundaries.

Right now, he stated, we are witnessing a new world that is advancing and ever-changing. In order to meet these changes and diversities, we must be allowed to have free thought. We must make ourselves intellectually diverse.

Young people need to be able to speak up more because race must begin to be discussed with a certain level of courage. D'Souza stated that rules must be applied evenly in a race neutral manner to all groups, so that we don't end up fighting one thing by practicing another.

D'Souza concluded his lecture quoting a Robert Frost poem: "Two roads diverged in a forest and I took the one less traveled by and that has made all the difference."

Class presidents to work with Student Assembly on agendas

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between semester, take place in the presence of the students. The team is planning a forum on the issue April 11 at 4:00 p.m. in the McEwen coffeehouse.

The third project team deals with Academic policy and is chaired by Andrew Edelson '97. The team is working on increasing the College's academic reputation by working with the Admissions Office. They are also looking at the possibility of establishing an oral-intensive requirement structured along the same lines as the writing-intensive requirement, and also making the requirements of a writing-intensive course more uniform.

But the most important proposal being looked at involves creating a required seminar for first-years that would deal with multicultural issues. A proposal was to institute this requirement was previously rejected by the Assembly, but may be reconsidered.

In addition to these project teams, a number of other permanent committees have been set up. Among these are the Community Conference Committee, which is led by Trevor Nardini '95 and is, according to Onwubere, designed to serve as a link with "the old community council." The others are the Public Relations Committee and the Residential Life Committee.

The Public Relations Committee, which is chaired by Corresponding Secretary Jim Morehead '95, is responsible for informing the student body about what the Assembly is doing and also to provide a link between the two. The group has several sub-committees. One is in charge of publicity.

Another is to communicate with the trustees. The third created a newsletter called the *Assembly Line* which will make its debut on Monday.

The Residential Life Committee is still in the planning stages. According to Onwubere, the Assembly is waiting for the trustees to form their own committee on the subject. The group will be comprised of randomly selected students who submit applications. Onwubere says that there is "no reason for students not to take part."

Amidst all this, the individual classes are are making their plans for the rest of this semester. The sophomore class president Kerry Mitchell indicates that he and the other class officers are busy trying to set up closer ties with the faculty and organizing fund raisers like arm-wrestling and pie-eating contests as well as a car wash.

Class of '95 President Tracy Powel says her class is beginning the process of choosing a graduation speaker and organizing fundraisers for next year.

Class of '97 President Andrew Edelson says his class is busy planning an assassination game for the whole class, based on a successful one held among first-years in Dunham in addition to fundraisers for next year.

Class of '94 President Jennifer Tsuha has sent a letter to the editor of *The Spectator* outlining what is in the works for her class.

It seems that these recent adaptations of student government are receiving praise at this point by members of the Assembly. First-year representative and Recording Secretary Marcus Johnson says that the new system brings better "focus and organization" to the body. Jim Morehead also summed his opinion as "so far, so good."

News from other Ivory Towers

—Compiled by Chris Marcisz '97

Blacks march at James Madison University

The Coaltition of Concerned African-American Students of James Madison University held a silent march on campus to protest the declining number of African-American students at the Haririsonburg, Virginia school. The estimated 800 black students at the school represent a two-percent drop from minority enrollments last year. The total enrollment of the school is 11,300 students. Members of the school's Black Student Association estimated that some 500 students participated in the March. (NSNS)

Canadian students occupy Government Office.

Canadian students from Victoria took over the federal revenue minister's off ice recently in support of the Mexican Zapatista resistance movement and in protest against NAFTA. A group of about a dozen students occupied Federal Revenue Minister David Anderson's Victoria constituency office for seven-and-a-half hours. Five were arrested for mischief, and one for assault by trespass. (NSNS)

Minnesota students march at State Capitol against plans for nuclear waste site

Some 60 University of Minnesota students recently marched on the State Capitol to protest plans for a nuclear waste site at the nearby Prarie Island power plant. Protestors held a rally at the capital after the march, which included a performance by singer Bonnie Raitt and a speech by Greenpeace Senior Adviser Harvey Wasserman. (NSNS)

Students at the University of Maryland receive safety kits for Spring Break

Students at the University of Maryland at College Park were distributed "Safe Break" bags before Spring Break this year. The bags contained condoms, sugarless gum, and information about healthy eating and safe tanning habits. (NSNS)

Heterosexual group organizes for gays

More than 150 University of Missouri students recently participated in a rally to protest two proposed state laws that would prohibit Missouri school teachers from discussing homosexuality and birth control. The event was organized by Straight But Not Narrow, a new organization of heterosexuals supporting homosexual rights. The group objects to the law on the grounds that it amounts to censorship and misinformation. (NSNS)

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Novelist Maxine Hong Kingston speaks on experience as a writer

By Elizabeth Bliemel '97
NEWS STAFF WRITER

On Monday night in the Chapel, President Eugene Tobin proudly introduced novelist Maxine Hong Kingston as a part of the Hamilton College Winston Tolles Lecture Series.

Kingston, an award winning and critically acclaimed author, has been called a pace setter for Asian-American writers. She is most noted for her novels Women Warrior, Tripmaster Monkey, and China Men as well as essays, poems, and stories published in *The New York Times Magazine* and *The New Yorker*. Kingston is currently a professor at the University of California at Berkeley.

Kingston began her lecture by discussing her latest novel. She had heard legends about three ancient Chinese books of peace but even after traveling to China, was not able to locate them. She assumed that the books had been burned during the massive book burnings that occurred throughout Chinese history whenever a new dynasty or government seized power. Some of the Chinese poets and scholars she questioned thought that the books were nothing more than a "metaphor for a peaceful human condition." Kingston took this as her call to write her own book of peace.

One of the major reasons Kingston undertook this task was that she wanted to invent tactics to resolve eternal conflicts. Her desire was to bring peace to the community using fictional techniques, creating characters and personalities that live in harmony. Kingston believes that the art of our time, especially movies and television, is "addicted to violence" and she wants shift the emphasis away from that focus.

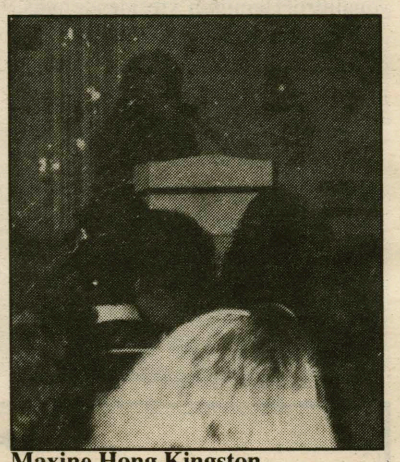
She knew that her task would not be easy because she would have to invent a new way of writing. She quoted Aristotle, who said that "drama is conflict." She was unsure about how to begin writing a book of peace without some sort of problem around which the action would revolve.

Kingston recalled "one of the worst nightmares of a writer" when she discovered that her original manuscript for the book was destroyed in a house fire. She joked that she was feeling "cosmic, in touch with the forces of creation and destruction" after it happened. The fires that slowed her writing for a while eventually fueled it in a way that she had never experienced. She read to the audience excerpts from her new novel appropriately entitled, "The Fifth Book of Peace." In the passage, the narrator described her journey back to her house in the burning city of Oakland, California, which she compares to the human journey of finding peace.

Throughout the reading, the narrator desperately seeks to find a reason for the fire. Her first thought was that God was showing the world what the war in Iraq was like and that the killing was wrong. She also believed that her recently deceased father might have caused the fire because he wanted her manuscript that was sitting in her burning house. Her father had wanted to be a poet but could not because "poems come out of the ground, the country, and the people" and he could not hear those voices well in this country.

While writing her book, Kingston learned that her way of understanding and of growing is to tell stories. One way that she has done this is through myths. Critics have argued that, by changing myths, she is breaking long revered traditions. Kingston disagrees because she believes that if myths are not retold and changed through time, they will eventually die. She believes that she can create her own unique stories from how she interprets ancient legends.

Kingston also found what she thinks has been one of the best discoveries of her life—that writers need the community. Like most writers, Kingston began writing in solitude. She feels that most modern literature contains so much loneliness, seclusion, and depression because of the environment authors work in. She questions if the "process has something to do with the product".



Maxine Hong Kingston

Kingston incorporated her new ideas into her novel by gathering veterans from different wars to tell their stories. She believed this might add a new dimension to her writing, "a faster, richer, coming together" of ideas. She wanted to "harness a collective human energy." She has witnessed the guidance that writing has had on the veterans, turning their destructive energy into art. Their task is not just to write poems and books but to figure out ways of finding that creative energy that comes from other human beings. In this stage of Kingston's life, she wants to find a communal and universal voice. She knows that in her career now, her ego is strong enough that she can maintain her own unique voice among the many voices around her.

At the end of the lecture, Kingston addressed questions from the audience. One distinction that needed to be clarified was the difference between writing an autobiography versus writing fiction. While some of her books use real characters, she still writes with a great deal of imagination. One example she gave was her novel, "Women Warrior," which she originally thought to label as fiction, although it was based on real characters and events, because she thought it would be more "politically correct." The publishers, however, wanted to classify it as non-fiction because non-fiction books sell better. Kingston joked that "you can get on talk shows if you write non-fiction." She does not like to label her books, however, because she believes that she has invented a "new form" of writing with no other book as a model.

Kingston also believes that many women have taken autobiography as their form of writing because they have not been allowed to see adventures in the real world. Therefore, women's stories are about their home and themselves. Critics of the publishing industry claim that the industry has kept them in an "autobiographical ghetto."

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New Phi Beta Kappa Students

On Tuesday, the following students were elected to Phi Beta Kappa: Lille Caroline Sringall-Gautier, Indraneel Das, Felix Fernandez-Alonso, Patricia Helena Marchesi, Louis C. Shapiro, Kamila Naheed Shamsie, Michelle Ann Walvoord, Amy Lyn Abair, Kosali Niranjala Ilayperuma, Kristin Foster Chormann, John Burnett Wedding, Claire Beth Goldstein, Daniel Howard Spitzen, Rohit Nepal, Janet Heagy Weaver, Anne Marie Iverson, Philip Richard DiGennaro, Michelle Theresa Rizzo.

College announces annual Raphael Lemkin Prize contest

Every year since 1990, the College has awarded The Raphael Lemkin Essay Prize to the winner of an essay competition on the theme: THE PRACTICE OF GENOCIDE.

The topic may be treated historically or systematically. Submissions should be approximately 5,000 words in length and are due by April 25 in Root Hall 116. All those submitting essays must also read an article about the life work of Raphael Lemkin. A copy of this article is available in Root 116.

The essay prize commemorates the life work of Raphael Lemkin. Forty-nine of Lemkin's family members were murdered by the Nazis in the Holocaust. Lemkin coined the term "genocide" to specify the crime of murder with the intent to destroy a national, ethnic, radical, or religious group. He devoted much of his life to persuading the United Nations and the nations of the world to adopt treaties and laws making genocide a crime.

Anyone who has questions about this essay competition may contact Professor Heidi Ravven at 853-5105.

Admission Office gears up for annual recruiting effort

By Audrey Weiner '96
NEWS STAFF WRITER

During the next two weeks, approximately 250 accepted students will visit the Hamilton campus for the two upcoming Open Houses. The first, this Tuesday-Wednesday, April 12-13, and the secondon the following Tuesday-Wednesday, April 19-20. The Open House program gives accepted students an opportunity to sample student life at a residential college and experience more fully the academic, extracurricular, and social opportunities Hamilton has to offer.

These Open Houses will be a culmination of a year of hard work by the Admissions staff, as well as the efforts of many Hamilton students, faculty, and administrators. The admissions recruiting process begins in the spring with letters sent out to 60,000 high school juniors, and continues with Admissions staff members visiting schools, college fairs, and inquiry sessions throughout the spring and fall. Then, once students have been accepted, other activities are planned to entice them to enroll in Hamilton.

Faculty call prospective students interested in their areas of study, and alumni and students also call to answer any questions the accepted students may have.

Congratulations receptions are held in various cities and, this year, more are being held than before. The Open Houses are another way to encourage prospectives to come to Hamilton.

Due to a 10 percent increase in the applicant pool, the quality of the prospective class of 1998 is higher than that of recent years, although exact statistics have not yet been released. There also has been an apparent increase in the number of multicultural students both applying and being accepted. Because last year's Open House was so well attended, this year two were scheduled in order to give as many accepted students as possible the opportunity to attend. The activities planned will also be more personalized, and prospective students can be better accomidated, according to Acting Dean of Admissions Lora Schilder.

Many Hamilton students are involved at different levels in helping to establish the class of 1998. The core of students working on the Open Houses and related areas is the Student Admissions Committee (SAC), comprised of nine students and headed by Assistant Dean of Admissions Mary Kay Hillman. The student chair of the committee is Tammy Scapicchio '95 and SAC is broken down into subcommittees, each of which is responsible for a different area of the Open Houses.

The subcommittees include Hosting, Phoneathons, Press, Publicity and Entertainment, Transportation, Registration, and Activies Fair committees. Each consists of one or two students working with an Admissions staff member.

The most openly visible efforts of SAC are those of the Hosting Committee, which is responsible

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Most consider long awaited survey results predictable

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14 meal plan will be made available to junior and senior students beginning next year.

Director of Residential Life Rebecca Reed agreed that most of the survey findings were expected. "A lot of this we are already going to know because we have been working with students every day," she commented.

"Most of the results were predictable," said President of Student Assembly McLloyd Onwubere '95. He said he was surprised only by the desire expressed by students for more off-campus activities and the opinion of 69 percent of the faculty that Hamilton's residential facilities are of similar or inferior quality to those of other colleges.

Of greatest interest to many, are the results related to private societies whose future will be addressed in the Residential Life Study. Approximately 40 percent of students would like to see private societies remain unchanged while another 40 percent would like to see them modified. Only 16 percent of students would like to see private societies eliminated.

In contrast, 73 percent of Hamilton's faculty felt that private societies should be eliminated. Less than 10 percent felt that private societies should remain as they are now, while the remainder felt that they should be modified.

On the issue of private societies, Tobin commented, "It is very important that we don't assume that just because other institutions have moved in a direction, Hamilton will follow suit. There is nothing in the [study] process that has the inevitability of a single conclusion."

The policies toward private societies at the institutions being visited as part of the Residential Life Study are mixed. Colgate University recently took steps to strengthen its Greek system while Middlebury and Trinity Colleges have required their private societies to become coed. Colby College abolished their fraternities 10 years ago. At Dickinson, fraternities must apply for housing in dormitories each year. Grinell College, which was visited by a group from Hamilton this week, has never had fraternities or sororities.

Whatever the final recommendations of the Residential Life Survey may be,all those surveyed agree upon the need for continued student involvement throughout the evaluation process.

Onwubere, who stressed the need for constant student involvement said, "It is imperative that student involvement in the study doesn't end now but is a continual process from the beginning to the end of the study."

Survey findings at a glance

The results of the Residential Life Survey were released to the entire Hamilton community last week. A total of 1,259 students, 128 faculty members, and 150 inquiring students who have visited Hamilton participated in the survey. A book containing the complete set of results is available on reserve in the Burke Library.

The survey dealt with a wide range of issues ranging from the quality of Hamilton's residence halls, to the issue of fraternities, to relationships between students and faculty.

Two of the most widely agreed upon items were related to meal plans and student relationships with faculty. Ninety-two percent of students felt that a more flexible meal plan should be offered in the future while 89 percent felt that professors inviting students to their homes for a meal and discussion is an important element of a liberal arts education.

Forty percent said there is no need to change the existing system of private societies at Hamilton. Another 42 percent of students said there is a need to modify them while 16 percent felt that private societies should be abolished. Among the faculty, 73 percent shared this view.

Only six percent of the faculty rated Hamilton's residential facilities as excellent while 25 percent said they were better than those at most colleges. Sixty-nine percent felt that residential facilities at Hamilton are equal or inferior to those at other colleges.

Slightly less than 60 percent of students rated the variety of activities on campus as excellent or good along with just over 40 percent of the faculty. Approximately 60 percent of students rated the quality of the activities on campus positively while slightly less than half the faculty agreed.

A total of 71 percent of the faculty said that alcohol-free housing is 'important option. Twenty percent of student shared this view. Seventy percent of students rated the choices of housing options as good or excellent while less than 30 percent of faculty did.

Among inquiring students, 13 percent felt that Hamilton is the most prestigious institution when compared to Dartmouth College, Williams College, Middlebury College, Trinity College, and SUNY Binghamton. Twenty-five percent felt that Hamilton is the highest quality institution of the six choices.

The institutions that the greatest number of inquiring students are considering attending other than Hamilton are Colgate University (11), Boston College (10), Northwestern University (8), and SUNY Binghamton (8).

—Compiled by Gabriel Meyer '96

Two prospective student Open Houses set to take place this month

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finding student hosts for each of the perspective students, and matching these hosts and students based on shared interests whenever possible. This is also the part of the Open House in which the largest number of Hamilton students are directly involved. However, more student hosts are still needed, so anyone interested should contact Callie Soeldner-Prim '96 at x1036 or Tara Bernstein '96 at x1129.

Between 40 and 60 Hamilton students are involved in phoneathons, where prospective students are called at home. Questions and concerns the accepted students have are addressed, and these students are encouraged to attend one of the Open Houses. Tara Pinansky '96 a member of SAC working on the phoneathons says that receiving phone calls from current Hamilton students "helps make the accepted students feel comfortable with the school, as well as distinguishing Hamilton from other schools to which they have been accepted."

The Open House includes campus tours and a panel discussion entitled "Liberal Arts at Hamilton" to give students and their parents a general overview of Hamilton. To explore Hamilton's academics, prospectives are encouraged to attend classes, as well as informational seminars on pre-medicine, pre-law, study abroad, the Washington, DC, semester, and career planning. Tours of the Art and Science departments are also available. Accepted students can learn about student activities and organizations through the Activities Fair. There will also be a Parents' Reception, as well as an a capella concert by the Buffers, Hamiltones, and Special K, followed by a dance party in the Events Barn.

According to Schilder, this has been a very successful year in terms of the number and quality of applications. The Admissions Committee has "done its best to make sure that the Class of '98 is made up of the most talented and brightest of the applicant pool."

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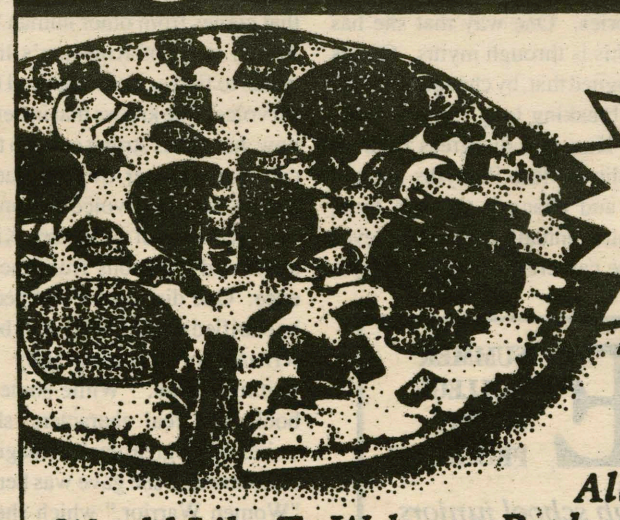

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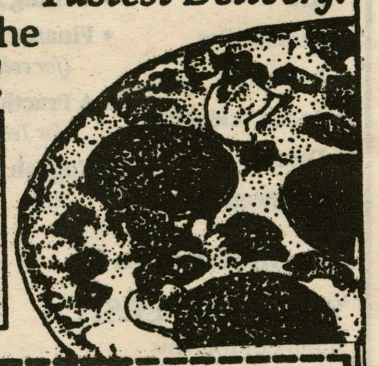

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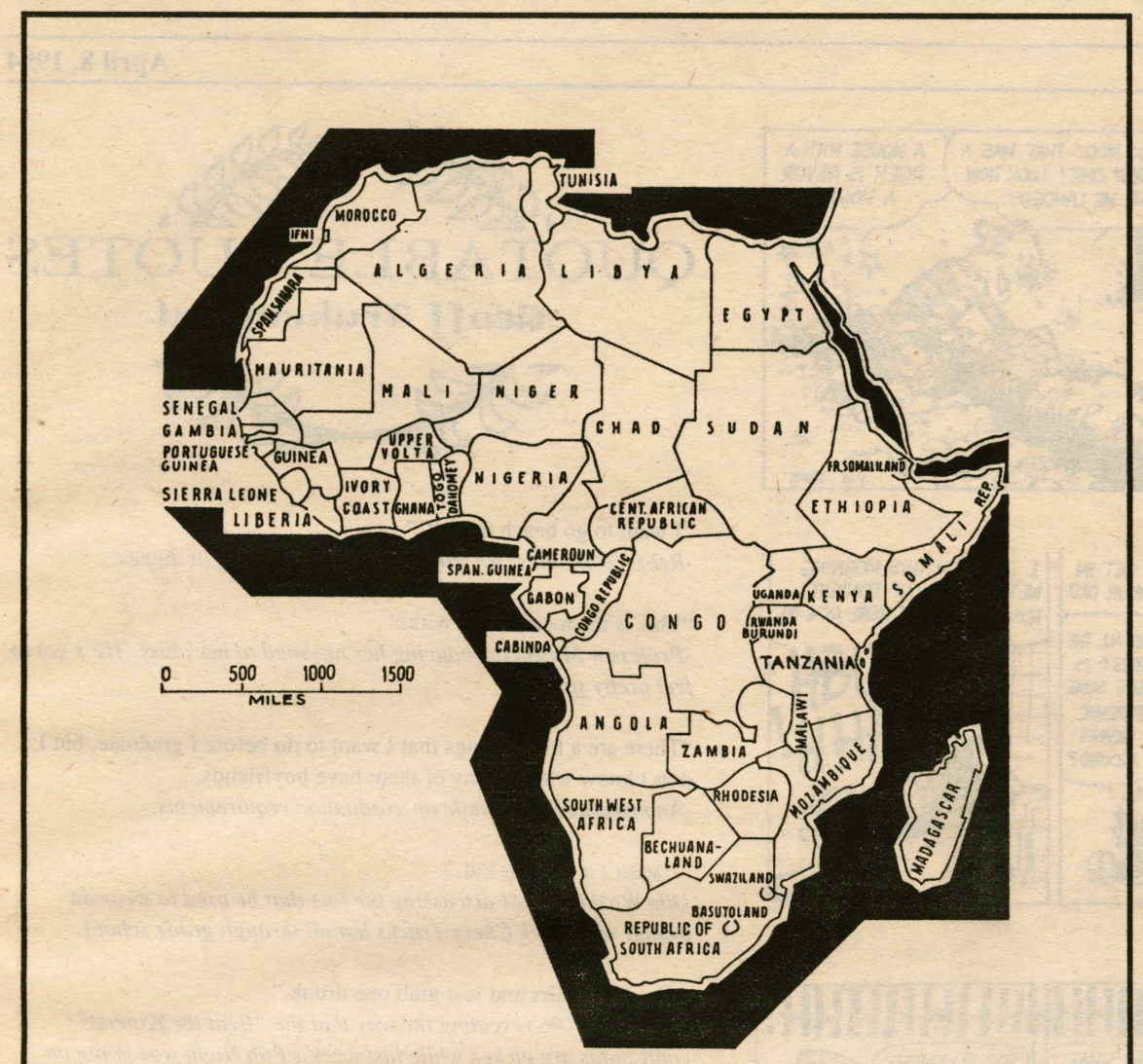

Symptoms of spring

On birds, bees, and pagan rites

By Emily Valle '96
Features Editor

What is this strage phenomenon—spring fever—that sets blood pumping like sap through awakening veins? Do humans merely imitate nature, emerging from dank, den-like rooms in brilliant new plumage hungry, horny, and unduly optimistic— or are we part of the very process of renewal? Are sudden skips of joy and sporadic bursts of song actually mating rituals latent in our atavistic selves? Whatever the symptoms, modern researches do not discredit this strange malady. They suggest that our fervor is a reaction to increasing hours of sunlight in spring.

More human babies are concieved in spring, and since prehistory different cultures have celebrated the season with ritual lovemaking rites to stimulate fertility or mock battles to drive off winter. Wine, feasting, and music are integral to spring festivals. In ancient Athens, the Festival of Flowers in honor of the god Dionysus evolved into an occasion for unrestrained revelry and the staging of great dramas. During the Roman Empire Baccus, god of wine and fertility, was celebrated with orgies of food and sex. English May Day flower gathering and may-pole dancing probably origionated from fertility festivals in India and Egypt. Even the Christian tradition of Lent is thought to have its source in ancient pagan rites of self-denial that were believed to help resurrect the earth during spring.

The very word "spring" evokes images of leaping and sprouting, crocuses and daffodils shooting up from the earth. Old English texts use the terms "springtime" and "spring of the leaf" in reference to the season as early as 1398. The official first day of Spring in the northern hemisphere is March 21. On this day, the sun passes through

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A 6,000 mile stroll across Africa

Walvoord will follow footsteps of time

By Amy Grey '97
Features Editor

On April 22, Michelle Walvoord '94 will be flying out from Washington, D.C. with a group of seven other women and eight men to embark on what might be the greatest adventure of her life. This group of professionals, environmentalists, and students will take a plane to Zanzibar, a small island off the coast of Tanzania, where their true adventures will begin. The group of fifteen, as well as a few wild life officers to help navigate, will undertake a 6,000 mile hiking expedition that will take them a year to complete.

The expedition, which is being funded by the United States government, The Alliance for Environmental Education, The Scientific Research Foundation, and a number of large corporations, will retrace the steps of the 19th century explorer Henry Morton Stanley. The travelers will leave from Zanzibar, go through Tanzania, Kenya, Uganda, Zambia, and end up on the Western Coast of Africa in Zaire. Through the journey they will not only hike, carrying the greater portion of their supplies with them, but will also use boats when necessary. By the end of the trip they will have circumnavigate both Lake Victoria and Lake Tanganyika.

Along the way, the hikers will meet up with three support teams at three different locations. These teams will bring in equipment and replenish the hiker's supplies. Through-out the journey there will also be a support vehicle (the Jeep used by the United States Olympic Team and donated to the project by the US government) that will meet with the hikers on a weekly, biweekly or triweekly basis as is necessary. This will carry the team's scientific and video equipment.

Except for the necessary support vehicles lurking in the background in case of any emergencies, the project planners hope to make the hiker's experience as much like that of the original travelers as possible. This means almost all of the 6,000 mile trip will be made on foot.

The hiking and boating will not be the greatest of the hikers' worries. Each member of the team is required to have a number of immunizations before the trip to help prevent them from catching any diseases. Through out the expedition they will also take a weekly malaria pill to help ward off that dread disease.

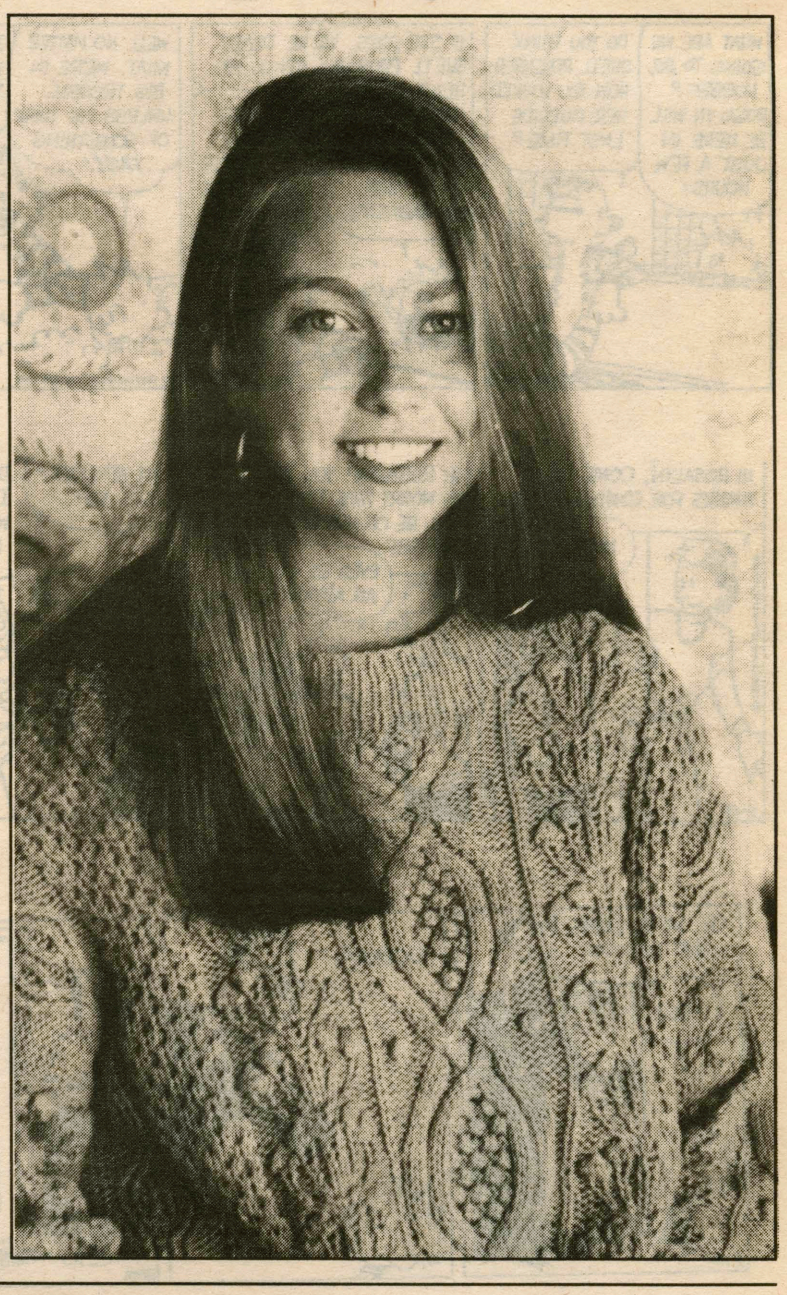
Although the thought of shots do not thrill Walvoord, she is eager to go on her expedition. "I've already had malaria once," she stated, and didn't seem the least bit concerned about the matter. And the numerous benefits of the trip obviously outweigh any small doubts in her mind.

Walvoord has been to Africa before with the School for International Training, and she says that she loved it. While in Tanzania last year Walvoord learned some Swahili, which is one of the many reasons that she was chosen out of an applicant pool of 1700 men and women. She says she also gained a wealth of experience and enjoyment during her stay in Africa, and is excited to be able to give something back.

The hikers will be giving the world a great deal. Unlike the much larger group that originally went with Henry Morton Stanley in search of the sources of the Nile and the Congo rivers, these explorers will benefit from 20th century technology. Three times throughout the course of the expedition the group will conduct a televised broadcast that will be shown in approximately 64,000 schools across America.

Each member of the team will also be conducting his or her own scientific experiments. Walvoord will work in cooperation with the Global Rivers Environmental Education Network. She will test water, perform an ozone study, and test soil for macro-invertebrates. Her background in water quality testing and the fact that she is a geology major both will be essential.

So as you rush around to get all of those financial aid forms filled out by April 22nd, Walvoord will be gathering her gear and preparing for her Congo Expedition. Her participation in such a momentous event is an honor to Hamilton college.



Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson

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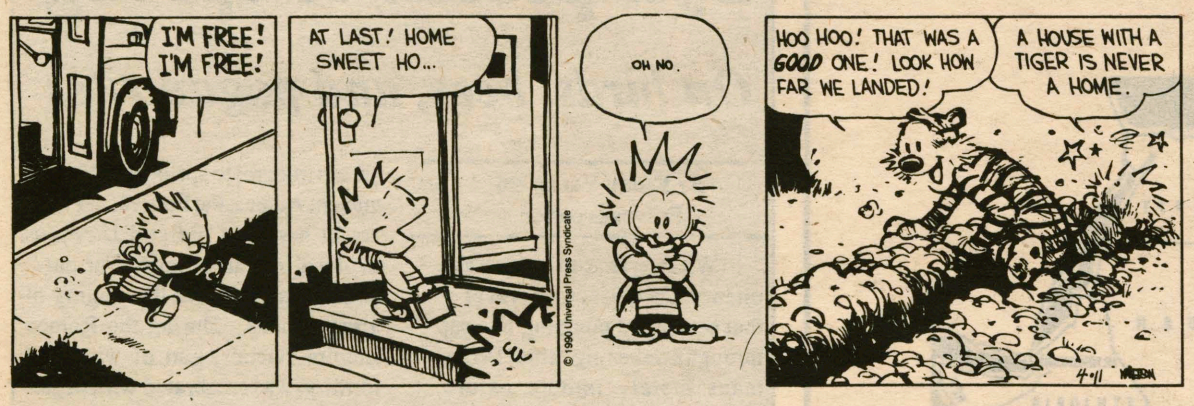
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AT LAST! HOME SWEET HO...
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OH NO.
HOO HOO! THAT WAS A GOOD ONE! LOOK HOW FAR WE LANDED!
A HOUSE WITH A TIGER IS NEVER A HOME.
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LOOK AT YOU! HOW COULD ANYONE GET SO DIRTY AT SCHOOL?
I GOT THIS DIRTY JUST TRYING TO WALK IN THE FRONT DOOR! OL' CATAPULT BUTT WAS LYING IN WAIT FOR ME.
WELL, IT DOESN'T MATTER. YOU'D BETTER GET IN THE TUB NOW ANYWAY.
A BATH?!
BUT IT'S THE MIDDLE OF THE AFTERNOON!
YES, BUT I HAVE TO GET IN THE SHOWER BEFORE YOUR DAD GETS HOME, SO HE CAN TAKE ONE.
WHY ALL THE BATHS? IS THERE SOME EPIDEMIC GOING AROUND?
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I TOLD YOU THIS MORNING WE'RE GOING OUT TONIGHT. ROSALYN WILL BE HERE AT 6:00.
AUGHHHH!
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AAAAUUUUUUUUGGGGGGGHHHHHHHHHH!
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LOOK, I KNOW YOU DON'T LIKE ROSALYN, BUT SHE'S THE ONLY BABY SITTER I COULD GET.
AND YOU REMEMBER OUR TALK AFTER WHAT HAPPENED LAST TIME, DON'T YOU? I WANT YOU ON YOUR BEST BEHAVIOR TONIGHT.
YOU DO EXACTLY WHAT SHE TELLS YOU. I DON'T WANT TO COME HOME AND HEAR ANY HORROR STORIES, OK?
FOR GOODNESS SAKE, CALVIN! TAKE A BREATH BEFORE YOU PASS OUT ON THE FLOOR!
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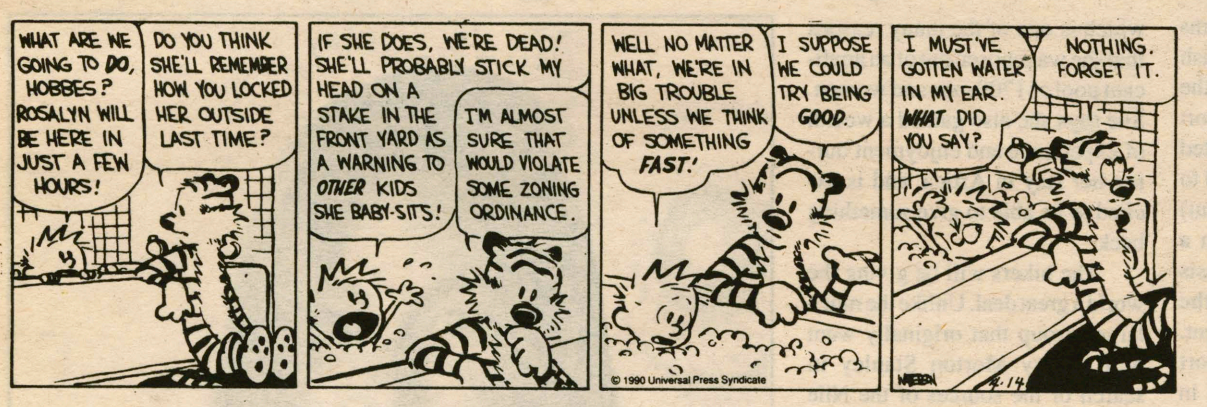
WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO, HOBBES? ROSALYN WILL BE HERE IN JUST A FEW HOURS!
DO YOU THINK SHE'LL REMEMBER HOW YOU LOCKED HER OUTSIDE LAST TIME?
IF SHE DOES, WE'RE DEAD! SHE'LL PROBABLY STICK MY HEAD ON A STAKE IN THE FRONT YARD AS A WARNING TO OTHER KIDS SHE BABY-SITS!
I'M ALMOST SURE THAT WOULD VIOLATE SOME ZONING ORDINANCE.
WELL NO MATTER WHAT, WE'RE IN BIG TROUBLE UNLESS WE THINK OF SOMETHING FAST!
I SUPPOSE WE COULD TRY BEING GOOD.
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I MUST'VE GOTTEN WATER IN MY EAR. WHAT DID YOU SAY?
NOTHING. FORGET IT.
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HI ROSALYN, COME ON IN. THANKS FOR COMING AGAIN.
NO TROUBLE.
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HI ROSALYN! YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY THIS TIME. CALVIN WILL BE ON HIS BEST BEHAVIOR TONIGHT.
EVEN SO, I'D LIKE AN ADVANCE.
AN ADVANCE? BUT... BUT...
DEAR, MAY I SPEAK WITH YOU A MOMENT?
BUT WE GAVE HER AN ADVANCE ON TONIGHT WHEN SHE LEFT LAST TIME!
I DON'T CARE. JUST PAY WHAT IT TAKES TO GET US OUT OF HERE!
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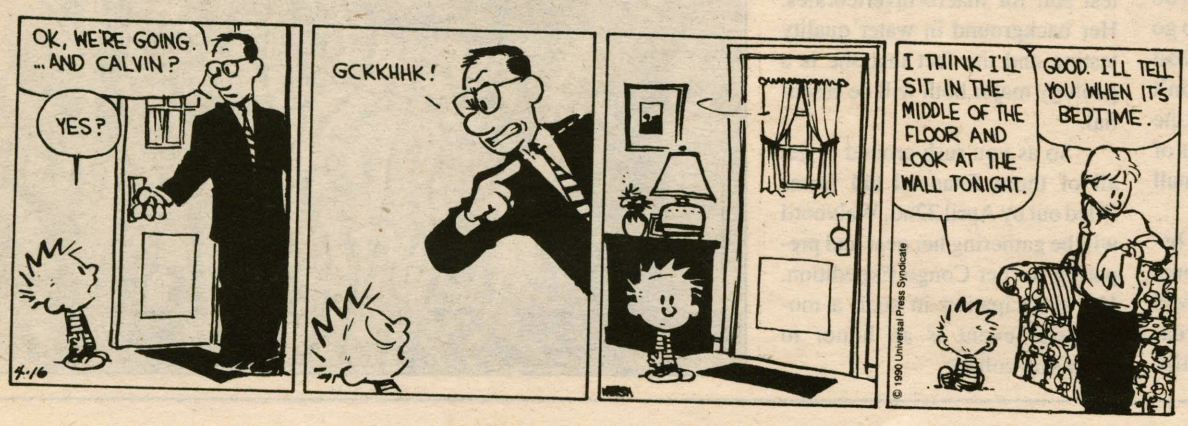
OK, WE'RE GOING. ...AND CALVIN?
YES?
GCKKHHK!
I THINK I'LL SIT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE FLOOR AND LOOK AT THE WALL TONIGHT.
GOOD. I'LL TELL YOU WHEN IT'S BEDTIME.
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QUOTABLE QUOTES

Geoff Trukenbrod

"I want to go beach myself!"
-Rebecca Toomey '97 after over-stuffing herself at dinner.

"This is the man I sleep with."
-Professor Mason introducing her husband to her class. He's got to feel pretty special.

"There are a lot of things that I want to do before I graduate, but I don't know whether any of them have boyfriends."
-Anonymous Senior male on graduation requirements.

"I wasn't a popular kid."
-Jim Washburn '94 discussing the fact that he used to wear an orange and black Chevy Trucks hat all through grade school.

"Go downstairs and just grab one drunk."
-Jack Selby '96 revealing the way that the "Beat the Experts" contestants are picked while last week's Pub Night was going on under The Spectator *offices.*

"You have no style!"
-Jason Nissen '94 to Stu Miller '94. This may be a case of the pot calling the kettle black.

"Someone has to feel my butt. It's so hot!"
-Sarah Kanwit '95 after sitting on a heater. We would like to congratulate Sarah on appearing in Quotable Quotes for the secon week in a row.

"I'll just call you DuPont . . . as in stainmaster."
-Becky Egan '96 to Sara Falkenberry '96. I had to ask what that means, and I'm not about to print it.

"This school is so small that I can fart and the people in Dunham will know about it before the end of the day."
-Anonymous sophomore female on bodily functions in Babbitt.

"Well, we'll try to get a good woman to put between you two."
-Laura McTighe to RA's Joe Iuorno '95 and Pat Landers '95 discussing who to put on the floor between them in Carnegie next year.

"Should I ride her? Should I ride her!?"
-Kerry Bernstein '96 to Betsy Bruce on covering someone during a Lacrosse game. That should probably be a personal decision.

"Speaking as a former fetus, I am sympathetic to your point of view."
- Dinesh D'Souza, visiting lecturer, responding to a conservative club complaint about the lack of support for their pro-life week.

"I can't believe you guys are really going to eat this."
-Taco Bell employee to Jon Ward '96, Aaron Simon '96 and Gavin Mlinar after they placed their order. Maybe he knows something about the "beef" that we don't.

"Christ is kind of added in, like vitamin D is added in milk."
-Professor Miller explaining Martin Luther's theory of consubstatiation in communion. That clears up the theory for me.

"I'm so jealous of that kid. He can grow more of a beard now than could in four years here."
-Jeffrey Lapham '94 on Andrew Edelson '97 and his facial hair. Well, some people just go through puberty sooner than others.

Editor's Note: There are people on this campus who end up writing letters to the Editor that obviously have way too much time on their hands.

Any Quotable Quotes should be sent through campus mail to *The Spectator*, care of Quotable Quotes. Please include names and context.

Mind Matters: Handling Crisis

By Ann Crothers '96
Peer Advisor

Because there is no way of knowing when a tragedy will occur, dealing with crisis in a positive way can sometimes seem impossible. I, personally, have been affected by more crisis situations in this semester than I can ever remember experiencing in so short a time. Having support from friends and faculty has really helped me. Knowing how to help your friends through hard times can be one of the most important gifts you will ever give. Though every situation is different and every individual will not react the same, there are six main guidelines to keep in mind.

Remain Calm

When a tragedy occurs, people often feel as though they have no control. They in turn, act in ways that reflect their feelings. In order to help, it is important to try to act calm and normal yourself, no matter what the person in crisis is doing. By staying relaxed, you can create a sense of normalcy and control. If you act out of control, the situation could worsen and you will not be able to help the person calm down.

Keep Respectful

In times of crisis, people do not always act like themselves. They do not necessarily act the way you expect they will from past experience and their behavior could be extremely altered. Unexpected or inappropriate responses are common. In an attempt to help, you may even be the target of some of this abstract behavior. It is important that you do not respond in a similar fashion. For example, don't try to insult the person in return for an insult you receive. It is difficult sometimes to keep your composure but essential in helping someone else. Your pride could be hurt but you must remember that the person is in a crisis situation and may not be behaving rationally.

Maintain Confidentiality

People in crisis can feel particularly vulnerable or might act in a way that they would find embarrassing afterwards. You should respect their privacy and act sensitively.

Yet, do not interpret assuring privacy as giving an absolute guarantee of confidentiality. Sometimes it is necessary to reveal information in order to insure the health or safety of the individual and the community. For instance, when health or life is in danger, sharing the information with someone who can intervene or help could save a life. Guaranteeing confidentiality could limit choices of how to help. You do not want to not seek assistance but you also do not want to break the trust of the person in crisis. Do not just rely on the person not finding out that you told, either, because if real help needs to be administered, they will know that someone had to have told. If you must tell, it is important to keep the amount of people as limited as possible.

Do not Judge

Crisis often makes people behave, feel, and/or think in ways that are hard to comprehend. In order to appreciate the situation we need to have a good understanding of what really occurred and or how the person feels. They can not be expected to be honest and open if you exhibit a bias or seem judgmental. Be aware of forming opinions about the person or situation before you know the facts because you could in essence inhibit your receival of the facts. Assume valid reasons for the person's state of crisis and remain open-minded. You will be best able to listen and help if you leave preconceived notions behind. After talking, you may not feel the same as the person, but being judgmental only hinders your attempt to help. Keep your own opinions to

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Slow steps from hibernation

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the celestial equator and the earth experiences vernal equinox, which means that day and night are equally balanced at 12 hours each. As central New Yorkers can attest, the true beginning of spring varies from place to place. We may not see the signs for a while here, but there are daffodils in Virginia, and at the rate spring moves northward at about 100 miles per week- the snow should start melting any month now.

Information taken from "It's Raining Frogs and Fishes" by Jerry Dennis Published by HarperPerennial 1992.

F.Y.I.: Sleep

By Diann Lynch
R.N.C.C.H.N.

Different people require different amounts of sleep to feel rested. Some adults can thrive on five hours of sleep per night, while others need at least nine hours. In addition, sleep patterns change as we grow older. A baby, for example, usually sleeps from sixteen to eighteen hours a day; elderly people commonly average only four to five hours a night. The idea that everyone needs eight hours of sleep to feel rested and stay healthy is a myth. If you sleep only five hours per night, you do not necessarily have insomnia. However, if you have difficulty falling asleep, or if you wake up during the night, can't get back to sleep, and feel fatigued during the day, then you may have insomnia.

Insomnia is not necessarily a disease, it can be a symptom of a problem. The best way to overcome insomnia is to treat its cause. Many things can cause sleeplessness, including irregular sleep schedules (common among college students), use of stimulants such as caffeine or diet pills, depression, daytime naps, emotional stress, and previous chronic use of drugs affecting the central nervous system,such as tranquilizers and alcohol. Physical illness, such as thyroid disturbance and cardiopulminary disease can also cause sleeplessness. Of course, some people may just have trouble sleeping and may need evaluation by a specialized sleep center. You should never use sleeping pills— whether

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Suggestions for helping a friend in a crisis

Noone expects you to know all the answers

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yourself for the time being if they will not better the person's mental state.

Reassurance

Crisis perpetuates panic, fear and uncertainty in people. Be careful to consistently reassure the person that you and others are there and want to help. Emphasize that you are more than willing to do whatever it takes and that you have a sincere desire to help. It is very important that the person believes that they are not alone.

Utilize Community Resources

Because crisis situations often arise without warning and are many times unique from any other situation for the people involved, including the people in positions of helping, it is essential to know what outside help is available. You will most likely feel stressed and may even feel overwhelmed. If you find that the situation or person is too close to you and you do not feel able to help the person yourself, you can help by getting someone else. Also, if you find that the situation is one you feel you do not have enough experience to deal with, call for assistance. No one expects you to know all the answers or to be able to handle every situation with control and precision. It can be hard to turn to someone else, especially when the person in crisis is a close friend and you really want to help. Don't let your ego get in the way of helping the person the best that you can which may mean getting someone else instead of talking to the person yourself. You can only do your best. Be sure to stay aware of your own emotions and feelings as well. In the process of helping someone else you could hurt yourself. Do not be afraid to seek help from your peers as well. Just be aware of the confidentiality of the person you were or are helping originally.

Dealing with crisis can be traumatic for all involved. Don't forget to utilize what is available to us here at Hamilton. The Counseling Center, Resident Advisors, and Peer Advisors are all here to help. You are not alone.

Reading, meditation, hot bath induces sleep

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prescription or nonprescription without consulting with your health provider.

You may also wish to try the following methods of alleviating sleeplessness without medication:

-Develop a regular sleeping schedule. Avoid daytime naps.

-Avoid stimulating drugs, such as caffeine and nicotine, particularly before going to bed.

-Exercise regularly. This produces greater night time relaxation and will help you enjoy deeper sleep. However, avoid strenuous exercise within one or two hours before going to bed.

- Relax before going to bed. Light reading, meditation, a hot bath may help induce sleep.

-Avoid alcohol— it is the leading cause of poor sleep. Although alcohol almost always helps you fall asleep, it disrupts sleep continuity and will often cause you to wake up in the middle of the night.

-Drink a cup of warm milk. Some research suggests that certain ingredients found in mild can have a natural sedative effect on the body.

-sleep in a quiet room and be sure the temperature is adjusted to your comfort.

Many cases of insomnia will subside within a few weeks. A few sleepless nights are generally not harmful. However, if insomnia persists, consult your health care provider about ways of identifying and dealing with cause.

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Fellowship Opportunity
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in Electronic Resources for the Social Sciences
Summer 1994

The Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center seeks two capable, energetic students for fellowships in electronic resources in the social sciences. The fellows must be able to work full-time this summer and part-time (at least 10 hours per week) during the 1994-95 academic year. The goal of the fellowships is to seek out quantitative and non-quantitative electronic resources useful to faculty and students in economics, government, and sociology, and to help faculty and students learn how to access those resources.

Duties—Summer 1994

One fellowship will be focused on constructing an electronic "GOPHER" for health care and public policy resources on the Internet computer network. This GOPHER system will allow faculty and students to easily find on-line materials on the Internet related to health care and public policy. To construct the GOPHER, the fellow will speak with faculty about the electronic needs and resources in their specialties, and will explore the Internet looking for useful resources. The fellow will also consult with the staff of the library and ITS to find appropriate materials. In addition, this fellow will construct other GOPHERs in the areas of economics, government, sociology, and world politics.

A second fellowship will be focused on finding useful quantitative databases in health care and public policy, and on putting those databases in a form which can be easily accessed by faculty and students. To find these databases, the fellow will speak with faculty about the data needs in their specialties, and will consult with the staff of the library and ITS to find appropriate materials. This second fellow will also seek out and make accessible other quantitative databases in the areas of economics, government, sociology, and world politics.

Beginning in September 1994, the fellows will help faculty and students find electronic resources. The fellows will speak to classes about appropriate electronic resources, and will hold office hours in the Levitt Center to help those seeking assistance. The fellows will also be available for new projects to help make electronic resources available to faculty and students.

Qualifications

Applicants must be computer literate, and have a working knowledge of word processing and communications packages. Experience with Wordperfect would also be helpful. Applicants should also be familiar with the methodologies and materials used in the economics, government, public policy, sociology, or world politics concentrations, and must be capable of independent work. During the summer, training at other universities in the area is anticipated, so applicants must have access to a car. For the second fellowship discussed above, knowledge of the Econometrics Toolkit, SAS, or Systat computer programs would also be helpful.

Application Procedure

Students in all concentrations are encouraged to apply. Interested students should send a resumé and letter of interest to Ms. Sally Carman, Assistant to the Public Policy Center, via campus mail. Letters of interest should detail the applicant's particular qualifications for the job. Applications are due by Tuesday, April 12.

Attitudes

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Liberal policies are ruining America

Let us imagine a hypothetical situation involving two societies that differ in many ways. One of these societies we can call The United States of Democracy. The other we can call the United Socialist States of Amerika, or the USSA. By placing these two societies together and comparing their policies, we can see which are good ones and which are bad ones. I hypothesize that one of these societies would flourish and one would flounder.

In the United States leaders would be people that fought wars for the country and put their loves on the line. They would be people who have shown loyalty to the country in the past through their writings and actions. Conversely, the leaders of the USSA could be anybody, including draft-dodging, hypocritical chickens who reap the benefits of the country but refuse to fight in defense of these rights. It would not matter if people had travelled to foreign countries and publicly denounced the country that had provided them with a lifetime of comfort and freedom, they could still come home and run the country some day.

The leaders in the United States would have economic policies that provided growth, rewarding rather than punishing investment and risk. They would do this through low income taxes, a lack of a capital gains tax, and a balanced budget. Although no country in the history of the world has ever taxed itself into prosperity, the USSA would endeavor to be the first. They believe that everyone should have the same economic income and therefore would institute a massive redistribution of wealth through enormous taxes levied on the most productive parts of society. If some people have more than others, after all, it is obviously because they are rapacious and immoral and not because they have a keen interest in living good lives and providing for their family. The USSA would remove all the unnecessary incentives to hard work because people would work for fun, after all, and therefore would be just as productive if the laziest dregs of society who refuse to work are getting the same amount of money as them.

In the United States there would be a safety net for people who could not provide for themselves, but there would be strong incentives for people to get off this public assistance and strong nonincentives for staying on. The incentives would include more money for married couples than for single mothers raising illegitimate children. In Amerika, on the other hand, there wouldn't be a safety net. Instead there would be a hammock. It would encourage people to have illegitimate children, and as many as possible. It would punish people that got married and tried to have some semblance of a family by giving them less money.

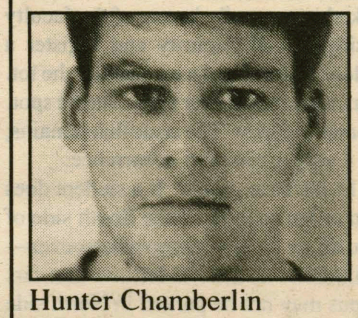
When it comes to crime, the United States would favor tough sentences for tough criminals. There would be no time off for good behavior, only time added on for maladaptive behavior. There would be no parole, no furlough system, and capital punishment for the worst of offenders. Sympathy would go to the victim of the crime, not the perpetrator. This would not be so in Amerika. The person who committed the crime would be considered the victim of an evil society, and the other person would be regarded as a coldhearted, unsympathetic monster for not being able to see what drove the person to mug and stab them.

The military in the United States would be composed of the toughest, bravest, and most able people the state could recruit. They would be chosen solely on the basis of performance, strength, and stamina. They would be prepared at all times to protect national interests domestically and globally. The United States would have a Strategic Defence Initiative that would warn and protect against long range missiles launched against it.

The military of Amerika would be a benign, pacifist organization based on compassion and sympathy. In order to be fair to all people, it would be made up of men and women equally who would share the tasks regardless of individual abilities. There would be strict quotas enforced to ensure that all ethnicities and sexual orientations were equally represented, whether they wanted to be or not. In fairness to the handicapped (I mean physically challenged), they would be allowed to have their own tank division.

In Amerika there would be no such thing as people who were insane. The more kind way to look on these people would be to say that they were just living "alternative life-styles." As such, it would seem unfair to have them living in hospitals where they would be given unnecessary medical treatment. It would be patronizing for people to do things for these people that they couldn't do for themselves. Consequently, there would be no such thing as a mental hospital in Amerika. If these people ended up as drug addicted homeless people littering the streets of Urban metropolises, that is their right when living in such a noble and fair society.

Speaking of drugs, they would be illegal in the United States. They would be seen as immoral and detrimental to one's health. There would be a serious crackdown on those who pushed drugs; they would be seen as the criminals they were and punished fiercely. In Amerika, the surgeon general would seek to legalize drugs (except evil nicotine, of course).



Hunter Chamberlin
Apple Pie

An addendum: In the United States, daily publications that were to serve as events newsletters would do just that. They would tell us what was happening, when it was happening, and where it was happening. That's all. In the USSA, such a publication would be a thinly veiled (if veiled at all) propaganda rag whose editor would be payed money to advance his own political agenda, regardless of how radical and wacky it was. It would do this by employing silly, immature, and disgustingly shocking tactics meant to offend rather than increase dialogue. Announcements and events would be included only if there was room after all the rubbish.

After a given period of time we could evaluate the status of the two nations. I surmise that in the United States of Democracy there would be strict adherence to law and morality. There would be minimal crime, a robust economy marked by rapid growth, and a great deal of national pride. People would recognize themselves as one people, even if they had different ethnic backgrounds.

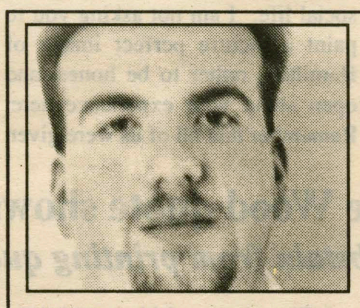
The other society, based on Utopian idealism and false suppositions, would be in shambles. There would be no social solidarity among the people because they would consider themselves African-Amerikans or Polish-Amerikans rather than simply Amerikans, and therefore their allegiance would be divided. The national debt would be astronomical, and the G.N.P. would be minuscule. Because of its pathetic military and economic status, it would be an invasion waiting to happen and there would be little that could be done to protect itself.

Unfortunately, our society is becoming less and less like the former and increasingly like the latter. At a time when the rest of the world is moving to the right, we are moving to the left. The great Orwellian masterpiece that described "Big Brother" should not have been called 1984; it should have been called "1994. Our society is getting closer and closer to the great abyss of socialism and Orwellian government, things that have been proven innumerable times in the past to be dismal failures. Perhaps the Cold War was fought for nothing.

Amidst the ineffective beliefs of the Left and the Right lies the productive Moderate

Over Spring Break (yes that was some time ago, but I've been busy) I spent some time with a motley crew in Miami building homes for the survivors of Hurricane Andrew. The people I went on Alternative Break with had, in many ways, nothing in common. We were Liberals, Conservatives, a Moderate or two, a handful of feminists, society members and those opposed to societies, Americans, International students ... like I said, a motley crew. What we did have in common (aside from being Hamiltonians) was a commitment to Habitat and helping the people of Miami. When the week was over, and I saw what we accomplished, I realized that despite our differences, our personal contributions were what helped make the difference.

That having been said, I must admit that I was none too eager to return to Hamilton. Although I in now way subscribe to the "boo-hoo Hamilton is apathetic" beliefs held by far too many, my trip to Florida did rekindle in me a belief that people would rather theorize about how to do a job than actually do it. At the root of this atrocity lurks the most negative aspect of the Liberal-Conservative dichotomy.



Bill Murphy
Dead Center

Liberals call for more government spending. They ask for programs to assist those in need. They demand a government that pays attention to the individual citizens, helping and nurturing them. Furthermore, they remove the real power from the disadvantaged and treat them like children in the name of empowering them. Unfortunately, throwing money at a problem seldom makes it go away (and more government spending has several unattractive features). Liberals also contend that low-income jobs are not the way to help these people. Instead the government must take it upon itself to find them jobs with dignity and provide them the education and other opportunities to advance.

Liberals, especially wealthy ones, preach that we are unable to know what the disadvantaged, the poor, or the homeless want, and then turn around and tell them that they shouldn't want to work at McDonald's because it's degrading. This is the most preposterous and asinine argument I have ever heard. What could be more dignified, and empowering, than bearing the "humiliation" of working for minimum wage and providing for one's family. (For those of you who are wondering, many of my friends and some of my family work low income jobs. Not surprisingly, the families of these economic pioneers are proud of the devotion these people have to their families and not embarrassed of the status of the jobs.)

Conservatives are no better. They would have you believe that victims, survivors, the poor, and the disadvantaged are fully capable of rising through the economic hierarchy without assistance. They fail to see the flaws that make it an insurmountable task to receive assistance. If throwing money at problems doesn't help, then ignoring it never has helped and never will. The "pick-yourself-up-by-your-bootstraps" mentality is so typical of the Conservative wing that they fail to realize if you keep beating someone down, they don't get back up.

There must be a happy medium between Conservative insensitivity and the Liberal's bleeding heart.

Where does this leaves us? With the handful of people who make personal contributions. As they told us at Habitat, "we don't need more money, we don't need skilled labor, we just need bodies willing to work." If everyone gave the time, rather than relying on the government's money, then maybe these problems would get solved. There must be a happy medium between Conservative insensitivity and the Liberal's bleeding heart. If indeed such a medium exists, then it begins when 45 people set aside their differences and slap some hurricane strips onto some two-by-fours and make a house.

Attitudes

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EDITORIAL

South side parking blues

This week a friend told us a troublesome story. A resident of Milbank, she drove into the Milbank/Babbitt parking lot around 10:00 one evening and found, as she often does, that there were not any empty spaces. Frustrated, she drove out to Root parking lot to look for a vacant spot there. Usually, when she ends up parking in Root, she can find a spot on the unpaved portion of the lot and does not even need to venture into the extension lot. But, on this particular evening, even in the unpaved section of Root parking lot, there was not an empty space in sight.

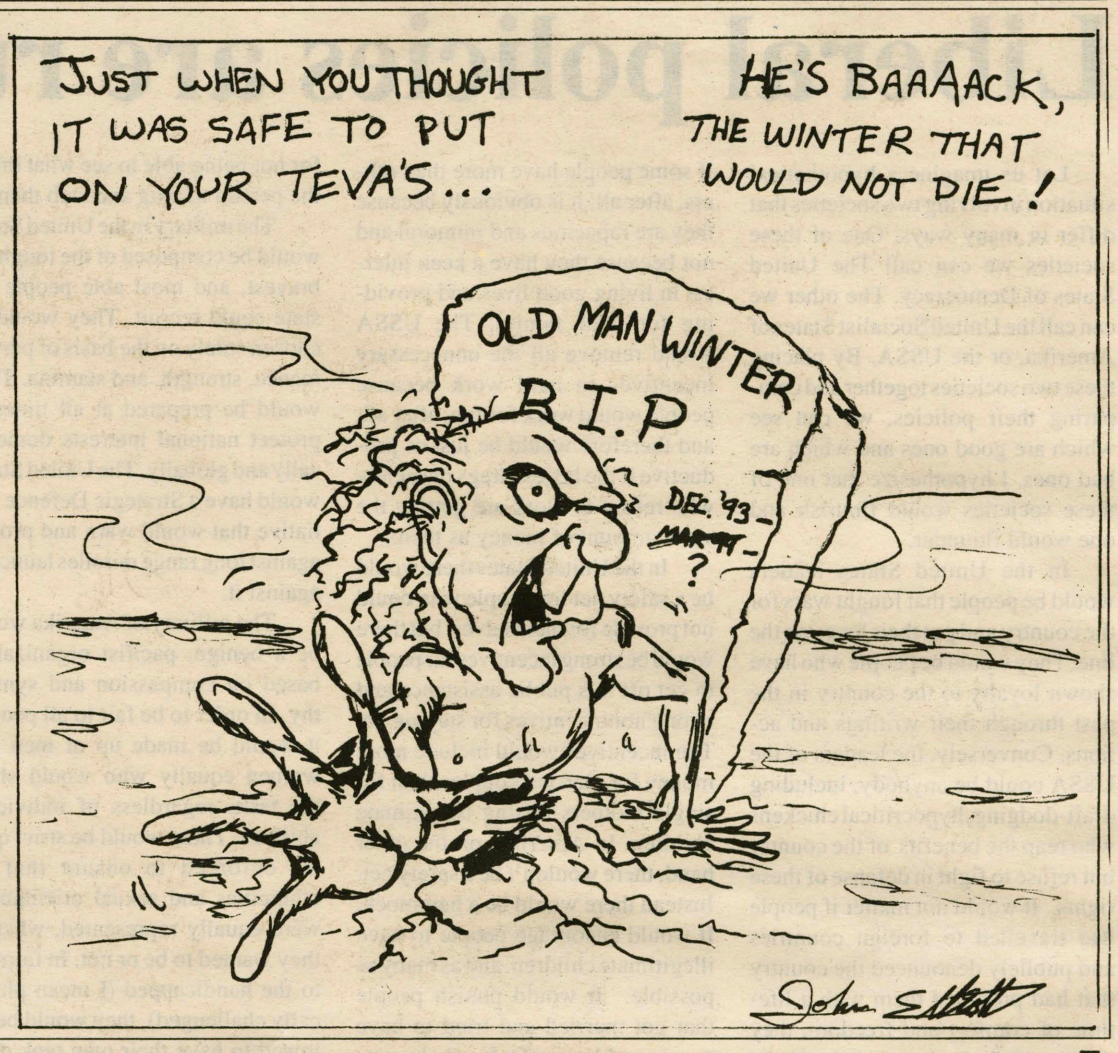
With an inkling of hope, she turned around and headed back to the Milbank/Babbitt lot praying that maybe someone had moved a car and left an open spot. Of course, she had no such luck. She noticed, however, that at least two of the cars parked in the Milbank/Babbitt lot had stickers for the North side of campus.

Finding this unacceptable, she parked temporarily in one of the faculty spots beside Milbank and headed inside to call Security and register a complaint. Just before she reached the door, she noticed a car leaving the lot. Quickly she ran back to her car, hopped in, and cruised over to the vacant spot.

Consequently, our friend never phoned Security. The issue that remains, however, is that this sort of situation is a very a common occurrence.

A situation such as this should not be the case—ever! If a student does not have a parking sticker allowing him or her to park on the South side of campus, then he or she is not permitted to do so, for any reason whatsoever—even if that is where his or her significant other resides. It follows that cars with stickers for the South side of campus may not be parked in North side lots.

Our friend is not a lazy person—quite the opposite, in fact. She does not mind walking a short distance such as the one from Root lot to Milbank. What bothered her was the fact that she was denied a parking space close to her dorm by the owners of cars which had stickers for the North side of campus! Perhaps the recently proposed parking policy will curb the occurrence of scenarios such as this one in the future. We can only hope.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HE'S BAAAACK, THE WINTER THAT WOULD NOT DIE!
OLD MAN WINTER
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John Elliott

Campus spirit is alive and well

To the Editor:

On Friday, March 4, the day after the huge snow storm, I walked out to Dunham parking lot to begin the torcherous task of digging my car out of the snow. To my pleasant surprise, I learned that four men had spent the better half of the day shoveling a path through the student side of the lot. Without their energy and help, no one would have moved from that lot until Sunday afternoon.

At least 10 Hamilton students spent over 45 minutes helping me shovel my car out of a snow bank and push it to clear ground. I would like to thank everyone who pulled together on this Friday afternoon when people had far better things to do besides move snow. I don't know the names of most of the people who helped me but I was impressed with the community spirit and caring attitude displayed by so many wonderful people. Thanks.

Kathleen Cunniff '94

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

ABC House needs live-in student tutors

To the Editor:

The ABC House located at 99 Campus Road, is taking applications for two tutors to live in the house next year. The ABC Program is a national, non-government financed program that helps place talented and strongly motivated minority students in challenging academic programs at outstanding public and private high schools around throughout the United States. The Clinton program was started by a former Hamilton geology professor in 1972. Eight young men from the New York City area attend Clinton High School and live togther in the house on Campus Road with the resident dorectors and their family, as well as two Hamilton tutors.

Tutors receive free room and board for the school year. Duties include tutorial services Sunday through Thursday for two hours each night as well as a few other responsibilities around the house. If you are interested in learning more about the job, please contact the current resident director, John Teller, at 853-6266.

If you have any questions about this, please call me at 853-1123. Thank you very much for helping the ABC Program in Clinton.

Sincerely,
Mary Karen Vellines
Publicity Chair
Clinton ABC Program

Be ready for this spring's Open House

To the Editor:

Do you remember what the spring of your Senior year in high school meant to you? Yes, college acceptance letters. It's that time of year again. You have probably noticed an increase of prospective students on campus already. On April 12-13 and 19-20 the Admissions Office, with the help of the Student Admissions Committee, will be holding its Open Houses. Between the two Open Houses we expect over 300 prospective students and their parents on the Hill.

I wanted you to be aware of these Open Houses and ask you to keep in mind your decision making process. The prospective students will have many questions about Hamilton, ranging from academic to social life. I am not asking you to paint a picture perfect image of Hamilton, rather to be honest and open about your experience here. Remember that all of us were given the opportunity to visit Hamilton and make our own decision to attend. Please give the prospective students their opportunity to experience Hamilton life for themselves, and make a personalized decision about whether or not Hamilton is the right place for them.

Thank you,
Tammy Scapicchio
Chair, Student Admissions Committee

Nardini's Sara Anne Wood quote shows lack of sensitivity:
The Spectator *should abstain from printing quotes with painful results*

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to one of the "Quotable Quotes" in last week's *Spectator*. The first quote, about Sara Anne Wood was unnecessary. There are many child abductions and murders committed every year, and printing Trevor Nardini's quote was in poor taste. The young girl who was mentioned in the quote was abducted in a nearby town, which makes this issue even more sensitive.

The printing of this quote has no place in *The Spectator*. Jim D'Aleo, Geoff Trukenbrod, and Trevor Nardini should have thought about the Wood family and friends, and the unnecessary pain that printing it could cause. The paper is read by more than just Hamilton students, and I am sure the residents of the area surrounding the College do not appreciate this kind of thoughtlessness.

I am not advocating limiting free speech, but *The Spectator* staff should be more aware of what they are printing. The Sara Anne Wood tragedy is discussed almost every night in the local news and many dedicated people are still trying to find her body. Humor like Nardini's is not appreciated, and *The Spectator* should be more aware of the issues of the local area before making a mistake like this again.

Matthew S. Hicks '96

Attitudes

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Artificial odors: The latest fad birthed from archaic idea

The Body Shop, the progressive, politically active cosmetic and yuppie hygiene chain, offers a wide array of scented essence oils to be adorned on the skin. Some of these include rose, hyacinth, fresia, peach, etc. One of the more odd bottled odors is vanilla. It is weird, and not necessarily romantically aesthetic to receive a whiff of someone smelling more like an Otis Spunkmeyer cookie than anything else. Luckily, a synthetic replica for peanut butter has not yet been marketed.

Perfumes, eau de toilettes and colognes are a rather primitive concept, but it seems that more recent times have produced a culture who really dig the idea of masking their natural body scent with anything floral, sensual, and now, culinary.

In tenth grade, an aunt gave me a bottle of Estee Lauder's "Knowing." I sampled it for awhile, but the maintenance of expensive perfumes was too much for me, someone who must tape notes to her plants that say, "Water me now or I'll die." I was informed by a perfume connoisseur that light was bad for my pet perfume, as were extreme temperatures (just like perfume's dumb cousin nail polish). I was skeptic of the name - knowing what? Mostly that I didn't smell like me, just like a basket of samples that those ladies in the mall douce people with. To be a little catty, I now always think of my high school companion, Michael, when "Knowing" drifts through the air, and that is an example of disturbing olfactory association...

—Submitted by Philip Jaeger '96

Heather Tesoriero
Her Story

My friend David Chen has a tender spot in his heart for the smell of stale cigarettes, because it reminds him of his father when he young. It isn't difficult to understand the idea of this otherwise offensive odor being pleasant. Everyone has scented skeletons in their closet. I myself have a sweetness for Suave Hair Gel because Matthew, my younger brother, used to laquer his cow licks down with the stuff. I am deficient with adequate words to describe the scent, only mallish, bubblegummish and neonsmelling, if that is possible. I am only comforted by the fact that Matt used Suave to tame his hair, rather than using it to achieve the rooster look.

I wonder about the more exotic line of fruity perfumes, mango and tangerine, for example. Maybe it's a theme idea - if one is feeling rather tropical and escapist, perhaps these products are sold on the merit of self-removal from one's natural surroundings. If they're not, Calvin Klein's selection of odors are. The ever true to life ads, both print and television, skillfully depict the angelic Western goddess on a beach, sometimes accompanied by child in matching fallen angel garb - strategically ripped slits and cleavage in full view, painting a very accurate representation of mother and child on the beach. The two stroll down the water's edge as a husky voice whispers (echoes), "Escape, escape, escape." What if the ocean in the portrayed in the ads were used for commercial fishing? The woman and child would probably smell more like rainbow trout and barnacles than Calvin's make. Since people are willing to capitalize on anything artificial to replace the realness in our lives, barnacle cologne isn't such a strange idea. Think - spouses of fisherpersons who are long separated from their lovers, and people who played on marina docks as children would be ecstatic.

Scent is so important, true scent, that is. The smell of your grandmother's house, spring grass baking in hot sun, midnight salty sea air. Our memories can stay lodged in our noses. The best idea for a bottled odor would be "skin-scented."

Now think, what would it smell like?

Positions Available

Applications for the position of president in the classes of '97, '96, and '95.

In addition, applications are being accepted for the position of Judicial Board Chair.

Platforms should be sent to Kerry Mitchell through Campus Mail no later than April 14, 1994 at 12:00 p.m.

Any questions?
Call x1522

Notice

To anyone who signed up to host students and got a letter in his or her mailbox: The students are coming this Tuesday so get your room ready for their visit.

McCord questions equality in social life on campus

To the Editor:

Something was stirred in me the first time I heard a rumor about myself. This is when I realized how small our college really is. I'm sick of having my smiles and "hellos" misinterpreted as sexual invitations just because the majority of the students here aren't very friendly. I didn't know what the "Hamilton cool" was until the middle of my first semester. This is something that needs to be changed. I really like Hamilton. It has a lot to offer. But, as soon as the weekend comes along, at least one of my friends wants to transfer because he or she wasn't invited to a party and therefore feels left out. This is not a bitter letter. I am invited to these parties. That is why I am in this predicament. Fraternities and sororities would be fine if they did not create such a social division in our community. Don't get me wrong. I do not think that they should be taken off campus, because they have a lot to offer. But, I do think that everybody on this campus needs to take another look within and around himself or herself. I'm sick of the "hook up" scene, the selective parties, and the rumors that have enveloped the social atmosphere of our college. I have a friend who is an African-American and the reason why it is important for me to point this out is because she feels that it is the only thing people can see at this college. She won't even eat in Commons dining hall because there is no "black table." To some, this may seem normal, or maybe you don't even notice. But it's there. She feels left out, just as the people who are not greeted on the pathways do, as well as those who are not invited to select parties. I am only one person and, as much as I would like to change these things at our college, it is almost impossible. I will still say, "Hello" to you on the pathways and at parties, but interpret it as friendliness and nothing more. I will still appreciate the invitations to parties because I like to talk to and meet new people, but I will still be close friends with those who are not invited and sometimes I'd like to see them there also. And I will be friends with you, no matter what ethnic background you come from, because I see you for who you are and not what you look like. This is who I am. I have only been here for one year and, as much as I love Hamilton, I don't want it to be this way for the next three. This is to all of you who don't see what is going on and to those of you who do—please help do something about it.

Emy McCord'97

Tsuha offers update on upcoming Senior Events

To the Editor:

Just wanted to update the community on **Senior Class** events to occur in the remaining days of the semester.

Senior Formal

The Senior Formal will be held at Valley View Country Club on Friday, April 15 from 7:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. The evening includes dinner, music, dancing, transportation, and five-hour open bar. Buses will run every half-hour from 6:45 p.m. until 8:15 p.m. from in front on Dunham, and will return at 11:00 p.m., 12:00 midnight, and 12:30 a.m. The ticket cost is $50. Please make checks payable to the Class of 1994 and send through Campus Mail to the Senior Class. All checks must be received by ***Tuesday, April 13***. You will then receive tickets in your mailbox on Wednesday, April 14. Don't miss out on this memorable evening!

Senior Week Events Update

The plans for Senior Week are coming together! We are very excited to have gotten the **The Connells** to play for our main concert on Thursday. We have also booked **Knots & Crosses** and **George Wesley & the Irietations**, to play Friday and Tuesday respectively. The **Rafting Trip** will be a great success—we have a full busload going!

Senior Week Bracelets

Bracelets will go on sale **May 4**, for a price to be determined. The first 100 seniors to buy bracelets will each receive a free t-shirt.

Senior Week Assistance Crew

Attention **JUNIORS!** We need 10 Juniors to assist with event set-up and tear-down, as well as other general help so that Senior Week runs smoothly. What would you get in return? You can **stay on-campus for Senior Week**, get all meals free, and have the opportunity to see your senior friends for just a little while longer...what more could you ask? Call Jennifer Tsuha (x1552) or the Student Activities Office(x4194) for information. Deadline: **Friday, April 15**.

Senior Gift Campaign Update (Holly Williams, Chair)

All right, Seniors, we've reached over 80 percent pledged participation for the Class of 1994 scholarship, but now is the time for you to pay those pledges. Let's go, Seniors! First of all, thank you to everyone who has already given! For those of you who haven't given yet—please, one dollar from everyone is all it takes to reach our goal of 94percent participation. We will be collecting payments in Beinecke all day on ***Wednesday, April 13***. Also on Wednesday, we will be looking for ideas for the scholarship criteria—please give us your suggestions. If you can't make it to Beinecke, please send your payments (checks made out to Senior Gift Campaign) through campus mail to Senior Gift Campaign. Thanks for your help!

Thanks to all the class leaders who have done a great job in planning and taking charge of these projects!

Jennifer Tsuha '94
Class of 1994 President

Juniors Needed!!

Assist with event set-up and tear-down, ***help make Senior Week a Success!***

In return, students receive free meals and the opportunity to see Senior friends for a little while longer.

Call Jen Tsuha
x1552

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ATTEND AN INFORMATION SESSION:

Tuesday, April 12, 6:00–7:00pm, Events Barn

Wednesday, April 13, 7:00–8:00, Events Barn

(pizza and soda on Tuesday, coffee and brownies on Wednesday)

Doonesbury
BY G.B. TRUDEAU

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SIR, IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE FINALLY CATCHING A BREAK ON THE UPCOMING WHITEWATER HEARINGS...
HOW'S THAT?
WELL, IT'S FINALLY DAWNED ON THE REPUBLICANS THAT THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE TO PRODUCE AN ACTUAL SCANDAL FOR THE HEARINGS...
DOLE AND THE G.O.P. LEADERSHIP ARE NOW SCRAMBLING TO PATCH TOGETHER A STRATEGY THAT WON'T COMPLETELY EMBARRASS THEM.
...AND THEN WE WAIT FOR A WITNESS TO BLURT SOMETHING OUT.
BOB, DEAR, IS THERE A PLAN B?
SENATOR DOLE ASSEMBLES HIS WHITEWATER TROOPS.
OKAY, REALITY CHECK: WHY ARE WE HOLDING NATIONALLY TELEVISED HEARINGS? WHAT ARE THEY ACTUALLY ABOUT?
THE HEARINGS ARE ABOUT AN INVESTMENT MADE 15 YEARS AGO, AND WHETHER THE CLINTONS DID ANYTHING IMPROPER WHILE LOSING MONEY ON IT.
THANK GOD FOR THE COVER-UP.
BINGO. THAT'S OUR FOCUS.
THE G.O.P. LEADERSHIP IS BRAINSTORMING WHITEWATER.
IF I MAY, BOB, DEAR?
THE CHAIR RECOGNIZES CONGRESSWOMAN DAVENPORT.
I THINK WE SHOULD TREAD CAREFULLY WITH THESE HEARINGS. IF THERE IS, IN FACT, MALFEASANCE, THEN BY ALL MEANS, WE SHOULD BRING IT TO LIGHT!
BUT IF THERE'S NO REAL SCANDAL AT THE CENTER OF WHITEWATER, THIS ALL COULD BACKFIRE. WE SHOULD ASK OURSELVES HONESTLY: WHY ARE WE DOING THIS?
BECAUSE IT'S PAY-BACK TIME, BABY!
THE CHAIR RECOGNIZES SENATOR D'AMATO.
C'MON, EVERYBODY! IT'S PAY-BACK TIME!
ALFONSE, THAT'S EXACTLY THE IMPRESSION WE DON'T WANT TO CREATE...
IN FACT, DEAR, THE LITTLE LAPSES THAT YOU AND NEWT HAVE HAD ON THE ETHICS FRONT ARE RATHER A PROBLEM FOR US...
LEST WE APPEAR MERELY VINDICTIVE, IT MIGHT BE BEST IF YOU KEPT A LOW PROFILE DURING THE ACTUAL HEARINGS.
UM... HOW LOW?
CLEVELAND? SEATTLE? IT'D BE UP TO YOU, DEAR.
GENTLEMEN, DON'T MISUNDERSTAND ME. I'M ALL FOR GETTING TO THE BOTTOM OF MISBEHAVIOR ON THE PART OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS...
INDEED, I SUPPORTED THE INVESTIGATIONS INTO KOREAGATE, THE HOUSE BANKING SCANDAL AND THE KEATING FIVE!
BUT SO FAR, WHITEWATER IS A PIFFLE! IF WE SHUT DOWN THE GOVERNMENT AND HOLD TELEVISED HEARINGS TO HUMILIATE THE PRESIDENT WITHOUT JUST CAUSE, WE'RE GOING TO LOOK LIKE HORSES' ASSES!
A PRICE WE SHOULD BE WILLING TO PAY!
ALFONSE, BE A DEAR AND SIT QUIETLY.
WELL, BOB, DEAR, IF WE MUST HAVE HEARINGS, WE MUST. BUT I STILL THINK THEY'RE FRAUGHT WITH PERIL...
IF YOU BULLY THE WRONG WITNESS, YOU COULD CREATE ANOTHER OLLIE NORTH.
IF I WERE YOU, I'D STUDY THE TAPES ON THAT ONE VERY CAREFULLY.
IT'S A DELEGATION FROM CONGRESS, COLONEL.
ELECTRIFY THE FENCE.
4-11
4-12
4-13
4-14
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4-16

Personals

Meegs—

I'm sorry I've been so moody lately. I still care for you greatly. Can we start over?

—The Bottom Bunk

Deer in the Hood, Buster Bunny Kidnapper, and Miraculously Read Head—

Thanks for caring in my time of grief. I am going to miss our late night talks next year. But, just think, no more seafood for *free*!! I hope.

Love always,
Ms. Pup Tent

To Free-fall and Rocky—

Saturday was a blast. You guys are great friends.

—Ex-408er

To JJH, JLT, JBM, LSP, and (of course) SPS—

Thanks for making Sunday-Monday so memorable. Also, thank you for making me feel welcome (EST and SDG, too).

—FB

Utica Aud.—

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Luv,
Air

Peaches—

Wow! Where have you been all my life? I missed you again this week! Thanks for inviting me tonight. I hope we can spend some time together this weekend—Sunday is a definite so please let me know if there is anything I can do to help you in your endeavor. As always, I love you more than you will ever know. Well, I'm off to the mall! Smile ... it's the second best thing you can do with your lips!

—Muffin

To the one in the Bunderdome—

Incidentally, suffice it to say, therefore, forsooth, and other such words.

To he who delivers our papers—

In case you thought I forgot, Happy 21st Birthday. I promise you, however, that I will not repeat last year's performance.

—The Chicken Man

Eric R.—

I hope the concert was worth the pain and anguish you caused us.

The Remaining *Spec* Late Night Crew

Please send Personals to *The Spectator* through Campus Mail. Thank you.

Arts & Entertainment

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Choir and Brass Choir to offer free spring performance in Wellin

The Hamilton College Choir and Brass Choir, just back from their seven-day, seven-city spring concert tour, will present a free public concert on Friday, April 8 at 8 p.m. in Wellin Hall.

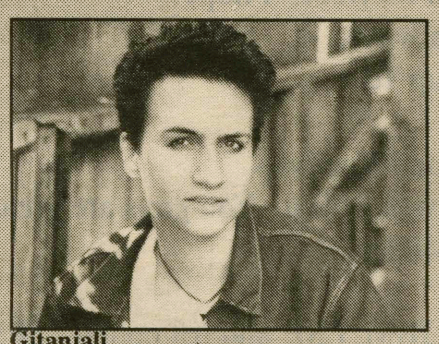
The 42-member choir, under the direction of G. Roberts Kolb, and the nine-member brass choir, under the direction of Charles England, will perform a selection of works ranging from the Renaissance to the present day. Also featured will be a selection of American folk songs and spirituals.

Kolb is a graduate of Occidental College, where he majored in diplomacy and world affairs. His post-graduate education included a year of study at the School of Theology at Claremont, CA, a master's degree in choral conducting from the California State University at Fullerton and a doctorate in choral music from the University of Illinois. He has taught at Smith College, where he conducted the choirs and glee club, and is currently acting dean of the faculty, professor of music and director of choral music at Hamilton, where he has taught since 1981.

England, who has taught at Hamilton since 1978, is a lecturer in music and director of the brass choir. He studied at the University of Illinois and at Augustana College, and he holds a master's degree from the Yale University School of Music. An active performer as well as a conductor, he is principal tubaist with several northeastern orchestras and the Catskill Brass Quartet. He has played with the New Haven Symphony, the United Nations Symphony and the United States Army Band in Washington, D.C.

Canadian artist Gitanjali to show videopeom in KJ

On Tuesday, April 11 at 8 p.m. in the Red Pit, the Department of English presents "New Views, New Eyes," a videopoem by Gitanjali. An exploration of the post-colonial riddle of identity in the migratory nineties, "New Views, New Eyes" is, in Gitanjali's words, "A visual poem about a land never accurately seen or imagined. Shot on location in Bombay, Udaipur, Lucknow, Delhi and Toronto's Honest Ed's Department Store, this film is a weaving of poetry, conversation and journal entry."



Gitanjali

Gitanjali was born in the twilight of an afternoon mist in Ulm, Germany to parents who did not have the ability to see one another. She seems to have been looking for them ever since. Raised on the Canadian Prairies, she now lives and works in Toronto. She is concerned with the video medium as a tool for social action, a place for healing, and also for the expression of aesthetics and form. Her work has been screened in more than 25 cities around the world and has been purchased at places including the National Gallery of Canada for their permanent collections. She is currently enjoying research on her new video entitled "Lesbian Flirtation Techniques."

There will be a discussion and reception following the videopoem.

Kingston enchants the Chapel

BY JAMES PIIPARINEN '96
A&E STAFF WRITER

It was a somewhat warm April night this past Monday as the people wandered into the chapel to listen to Maxine Hong Kingston. I myself had a prior engagement and slipped quietly into the back as she talked of her latest book. I moved into one of the side pews occupied by an older lady and squinted my eyes to get a glimpse of the speaker.

I had seen Maxine Hong Kingston earlier that day at a workshop that took the place of my poetry class. My teacher, Professor Rigsbee, had told us that attending one of her workshops was an opportunity not to be missed. She sat in a circle with students and professors, answering questions about where writing comes from and other facts that all writers are interested in knowing. Her white hair spilled down around her shoulders as her soft voice explained how she first started writing and told stories like any story teller would.

It was the same voice that I listened to when I closed my eyes and leaned on the arm of the pew. I listened as she told of the death of her first four books of peace. Her writing was a combination of fiction and truth that she blended together so well that neither could really be told apart. Her stories were intellectual in the way her thoughts and ideas moved, and she was very descriptive and aware of her surroundings. I'd open my eyes every once and awhile to look at that small ageless looking person, wondering how she stayed so in tune with what was happening in her mind and real world at the same time. She seemed to see connections between ghosts taking books for payment as something that was self evident.

At nine o'clock the reading ended. Maxine Hong Kingston then started to answer questions for the second time that day. Having yet another pressing engagement, I left quietly and walked back into the calm night with visions of a towering inferno that engulfed a book and gave life to another in a world that only a few visit and in which even fewer live.

Music Notebook

Brian Glaser '94

Now, I like jazz. I like jazz quite a bit, actually, but I just can't seem to get behind Fusion. It's not that I can't recognize the significance of *Bitches Brew* and Weather Report, it's that I just can't seem to *enjoy* them all that much.

An album like Henry Threadgill's new *Too Much Sugar For A Dime* (Axiom/Island Records), then, makes me happy not only because it's a great disc, but because it makes me feel better about hating Fusion.

On *Too Much Sugar*, Threadgill continues the way-out jazz explorations he began as part of the original Art Ensemble of Chicago in the 60's. He's interested in the idea of fusion, but without the rigid pretensions of an upper-case "F." Instead, Threadgill leads his band Very Very Circus down multi-cultural alleyways ripe with musical possibilities. He hears the fat bottom of Dixieland and likes it. He hears the polyrhythmic musicality of Latin-American percussion, and likes that, too. He's trained in the anything-goes ideals of Free Jazz, and knows that he can play everything he likes without having to adhere to rules he doesn't like.

The first rule Threadgill chucks out the conservatory window is the concept of logical instrumentation. Standing at the alto sax helm of Very Very Circus, Threadgill jams with two tubas, two electric guitars, a French Horn, and Gene Lake playing a monster drum set that he can make sound like a 5-man percussion section. There isn't an obvious logic to this set up, but then Very Very Circus isn't about logic.

What Threadgill's album *is* about is true fusion, slamming styles and ideas up against each other so hard that they melt into a new, unique whole. The opening "Little Pocket Size Demons" gets *Too Much Sugar* going with an exhilarating, confusing rush. The deep, dark rhythm section pounds away at a multi-phonic, harmonic pulse that sounds like Dixie at light speed. Threadgill hides the song's hook in its bottom, and before you know it, you're humming along with twin tubas.

Just before you can ease into its brassy melodic comforts, Threadgill and his guitar players, Brandon Ross and Masujaa, start laying down broad sheets of conflicting sounds, adding a bright blanket of colors to the tune's studied darkness. The guitars slash at the melody and each other, squeezing all sorts of strange, musically exciting noises through their amps. And Threadgill blows his horn with a mixture of joy and mystery, plugging his gut into the mouthpiece of his sax. But it doesn't degenerate into cacophony; the musicians in Very Very Circus listen to each other, and every note has something to do with the ordered illogic of the onslaught.

After ten minutes of "Pocket Size Demons," Threadgill changes gears to "In Touch." Featuring Spanish singing and African percussion accompaniment (which also appears on "Better Wrapped/Better Unwrapped"), Very Very Circus explores the areas where divergent musical ideas intersect and the result is as danceable as it is listenable.

Elsewhere on the disc, Threadgill tries on acoustic textures, stop-start rhythmic lurches, and anything else that pops into the collective imagination of Very Very Circus. It may be downplaying the quality of *Too Much Sugar For A Dime* to compare it to fusion, since each tune sounds like a bold new thought rather than a reworking of old ideas. For over an hour, Henry Threadgill and Very Very Circus create music inluenced by times past and places distant, charging into a tightly fused future.

ATTENTION SINGERS!

The Fourth Annual Gospel Workshop

will be held on Saturday, April 16. Eli Wilson, Jr. will be returning as the Musical Director.

Rehearsal will be in the Chapel from 9 a.m.- noon and 1:30-3:30 p.m.

The Performance will take place at 7:30 p.m. that same evening.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE WELCOME!

Call Karen Green at x4021 for further information.

Art icle Pick

Yance Ford '94
(the coolest Central Islip, Long Island star of the future)

Studio art focus: Performance of sculpture.
Purpose of creating art: To leave in my audience questions and topics to think about. Hopefully they will talk about their reactions to me or others in the future.
Most recent performance: *What To Do About Mark Reilly*, last Wednesday at 10:04 p.m.
Hamilton claim to fame: *This Invisible World*, last fall in the middle of the Coffeehouse.
Comparison of both: Both constructions were challenging. The sculpting part demanded physical labor, technical adjustments and cutting a lot of steel. In the performance part, I became part of the pieces.
Views on fame : People are fixed on the first piece. There are other three-dimensional works not shown that have equally contributed to my process. I do not want to be identified only with the first piece people have seen.
Interdisciplinary expressions in most pieces: Feminist Theory. Right to speak for oneself. Colonization and decolonization of the individual. Position of people in society through structures of race, sexuality and gender.
Predominant influences: Eva Hesse, Joseph Beuys, Audre Lorde.
Favorite animal: Turtles. They carry their homes on their backs.
Greater context of art: Art is an intellectual sphere for expression, where issues and conditions on society and anything else can be most honestly critiqued.
This context's corollary: By being honest, you have nothing to lose.
Favorite chicken patties: Those I eat with my eyes closed.
Weather forecast: My birthday is in April. I wish the sun shone, but it's never gonna happen.
Immediate plans: Next year I hope to participate in the Whitney Museum of America Art in New York City. They choose ten studio artists and ten theorists.
Future plans: A Master's degree in Studio Art. Artists must know their history, to get a feel on the place one's art will or won't earn in an overall context. It is essential to acquire a thorough knowledge and understanding of both art history and the politics of art history.
Ideal lover: She knows who she is.
Most annoying flaws: Do I have any flaws? I watch soap operas like an addict, at home.
Strongest attributes: Self-confidence and self-acceptance.
Advice to those considering majoring in studio art: If that's your passion, follow it and forget everything else. Live your life in a way that will enable you to do your own work.
What about money? You'll find a way to survive.
Artist's suggestions for Beinecke Village improvements: Set it on fire! It's hopeless.
Goal of my work: To challenge people to engage in the type of discussion that I engage in EVERY DAY simply because of my identity. There are issues and real tensions in society that none of us can escape and I would ask my audience to abandon the privilege of not having to engage in this kind of discussion.
Desired impact: Understanding, not simply awareness or acceptance. This means understanding that each of us are implicated in the oppression of others. By accepting our own place within different systems of oppression we can them move towards dismantling them.
Least favorite nickname: Schmance.
Favorite nickname: I would tell you, but then I would have to kill you.
Favorite Daily Bull issue: The one I'm doing April 11. Wait for it.
Favorite *Article* Pick question: Who are the Hamilton artists that have been most influential to you?
Most influential Hamilton artists: Claire Chormann and Kristin Savory.
Sunday morning hangout: The Florentine, a pastry shop in Utica.
Most unusual Shop 'n Save item bought: Butternut squash.
Favorite quote: "Stretch or die" from *This Bridge called my Back.*

Hamilton student reviews a Paris fashion show featuring designer Yves Saint-Laurent

By Kim Tamalonis '95
Special to A&E

Yves Saint-Laurent showed his Autumn/Winter '94-'95 Rive Gauche line at the Louvre on Wednesday, March 9. The show was one among many of the Parisian haute couture houses parading the runway at the museum during this week. Lacroix, Ungaro, Chanel, Courrège, Balenciaga, Lagerfeld, Dior and Lanvin were a few of the others also included in the week's runway lineup.

The theme of the show was roses and the predominant colors were red and black, although violet, cobalt blue, and brown did occasionally appear. Red roses were printed on velvet and silk and pink roses were applied to tulle. Saint-Laurent's fabric of choice for next Autumn/Winter seems to be velvet in deep colors. Purple, black, brown and red velvets predominantly took the forms of jackets and two-toned just-above-the-knee length skirts.

Among the roses, two-tones, and one plaid ensemble that received applause, monochromes did appear on the runway in the form of suits, coats, and long evening dresses in red and black. The dresses were fashioned of velvets, lighter and thinner fabrics and combinations of velvets and the more free flowing materials.

Coats for the season will be mid-calf length and slightly tapered at the waist. Foot wear will consist largely of black heats with ankle straps and high satin boots in violet, red, and black. For daytime wear, monochromatic pantsuits with short mid-hip length jackets will be en vogue and skirts will be of a wearable above the knee length.

The event was successful, though some question still remains as to the identification of the shape and form that will define the '94-'95 Autumn/Winter season. Whatever that style may be, roses will be a safe investment.

The pièce de résistance at the end of the show was a red tulle wedding dress with red velvet arms and large attached pink roses. The bride carried a bouquet of red roses and was proceeded by the man of honor, Yves Saint-Laurent, who was welcomed by a standing ovation.

** * Editor's note: The author is currently studying in France for her junior year.*

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Calendar & Movies

8 *Friday*

12:00 **French Table.** McEwen Coffee house.
4:00 **Hamilton College-Colgate Unversity Joint Economics Colloquim.** "Universal Testing vs. Lotteries: Alternative Public Policies for Reducing Vehicle Emissions." Room 221, K-J.
7:30 **Film: The Fugitive.** Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. K-J Aud.
8:00 **Hamilton College Choir.** Wellin Hall, Schambach Center. $

9 *Saturday*

10:00 **Cornell Institute of European Studies Balkans Regional Workship.** "Balkans Ethnicities and Nationalism."Room 242, KJ
1:00 **Environmental Science Career Day.** Sponsored by Geology. Science Aud.
7:30 **Film: The Fugitive.** Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. K-J Aud.
8:00 **Senior Recital.** Janet Weaver. Viola. Wellin Hall Schambach Center. $

10 *Sunday*

10:00 **Bowl for Kids Sake.** Come bowl in Clinton to raise money for Big Brothers, Big Sisters. Clinton Bowling.
11:30 **Community Church** (Protes tant). Janna J. Roche, Guest: Donna Mackassy. "Liberation Theology in Central America.," Chapel.
12:00 **Holocaust Rememberance Day Memorial and Video, Shoa.** Azel Backus House.
1:00 **Newman Mass** Father John Croghan. Chapel. Chapel.
2:30 **Japanese Music Festival.** Hamilton College Students, Wellin Hall, Schambach Hall.
7:30 **Film: The Fugitive.** Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society K-J Aud.

11 *Monday*

10:00 **Conversations with President Gene Tobin.** Beinecke Village.
12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.
3:00& 7:30 **College Course 300 Films: Robert Altman, Nashville.** Kirner Johnson Auditorium.
7:00 **ACOA** (Adult Children of Alcoholics) Meeting. Penney Room, Bristol Campus Center.
8:00 **Film and Discussion. New View, New Eyes** Red-Pit.
9:00 **Central Council of Student Assembly Meeting.** Bristol Campus Center.

12 *Tuesday*

12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.
4:00 **Holocaust Culture.** "Jewish Resistance to the Nazis." Bristol.
4:30 **Just for Juniors.** Career Center, Red-Pit.
5:30 **Chinese Table.** Room 104 McEwen.
8:00 **AAUP Journal Club Lecture.** Peter Weiss and Sweden's Policy Towards World War II Refugees." Christine Groeppner Bristol Campus Center.
8:00 **Focus on Africa Lecture.** Carolyn Mitchel. Bristol Campus Center.

13 *Wednesday*

12:00 **Spanish Table.** Balcony, Commons Dining Facility.
3:00& 7:30 **College Course 300 Film: Martin Scorcese Raging Bull.** Kirner-Johnson, Aud.
7:00 **Video Discussion.** Kathleen Deters. On Self-Esteem and Body Image. Red Pit, K-J.

14 *Thursday*

12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.
4:15 **Focus on Africa Panel.** "Pan-Africanism and the New World Order." Ahmed Sikaigna; Donald Culverson; Will Reno; Stephen Orvis, mediator. Bristol.
7:00 **Hamilton Environmental Action Group Meeting.** Keehn TV Lounge.
8:00 **Peer Advising Film. Thelma and Louise** K-J Aud.
8:00 **Student Recital.** Eric Sussman, Clarinet. Wellin Hall, Schambach Center.
8:00 **Spring Theatre Production. 'Tis Pity She's a Whore.** Minor theater. $

Watch the board in Beinecke for updates on the housing lottery. Your room may depend on it.

MOVIES

Sangertown 797-2121

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Major League 2 12:20 7:20 9:50
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Four Weddings and a Funeral 6:50 9:40
Schindler's List 12:00 8:00
Paper 1:00 6:40 9:25
Naked Gun 3 1:10 7:45 9:20
Jim Hollywood 12:20 0 7:20 10:00
Thumbelina 12:10 6:15
The Ref 8:10 10:10

Clinton Cinema 853-5553

The Paper 2:00 7:00 9:00

Up Town 797-0020

On Campus

The Fugitive
Fri., Sat., Sun., @7:30

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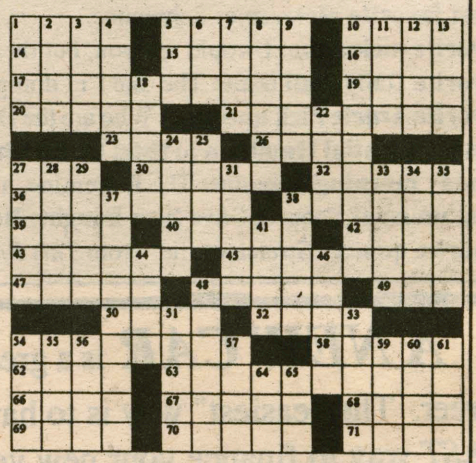
Clinton Cinema has only Saturday matinees

Weekly Crossword

" Sports & Leisure " **By Gerry Frey**



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Quotable Quote

"Spring is when you feel like whistling even with a shoe full of slush"

DOUG LARSON

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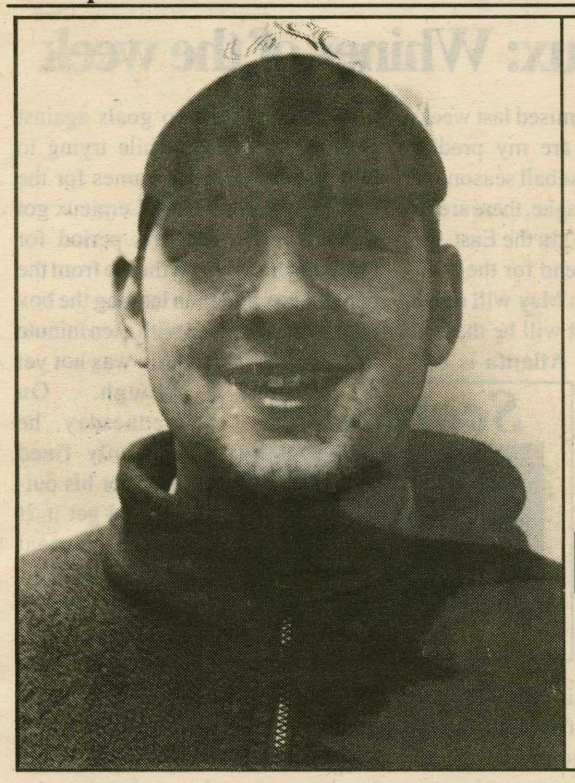

The Garden Café's Athlete of the Week

—COMPILED BY JACK SELBY

Sam Walker

Individual Statitstics

Last year:19 - 3 at #4 singles

This year: 6 - 3 with four consecutive victories

Sam Walker '96 returns to the Hamilton men's tennis team this spring after posting a team best record of 19-3 in 1993. His powerful ground strokes and tremendous consistency keeps Walker on top of his game in all his matches. This year, Walker anchors the #4 and #5 positions on the squad, and continues to dominate his opposition. Despite a slow 2-3 start, Walker regrouped and came back strongly to win four straight matches against tough competition. Walker's poise and experience help make him a critical part of the tennis team, and his record this year is once again an astounding 6-3. Congratulations Sam, *you are the Garden Cafe's Athlete of the Week!*

The All New Garden Café Restaurant and Strider's Lounge, located at 354A Norton Avenue at the Corner of Route 5, guarantees good food and great times. The Café is open 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. on Mon, Thurs-Sun. Tuesday hours are 4:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. The Garden Cafe serves pizza, chicken wings, subs, and a late night breakfast. Hamilton students showing I.D. receive ten percent off at all times. Delivery (1:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.) - Call 853-4571.

The Garden Café's Athlete of the Week receives a free pizza with the works courtesy of The Garden Café and its owner Tony Urbanowitz.

OTHER PEAK PERFORMERS

Joanna Peters

Freshman lacrosse sensation Joanna Peters is pacing the Continental attack. In the defeat of St. Lawrence on Saturday, Peters scored 4 goals. For the season, Peters leads the team in both goals (7) and assists (4), not to mention total points. Congratulations, Joanna way to go!

Women's Lacrosse scares William Smith

*from **St. Lawrence** on page 20*

Hyner '97 gains important game experience against collegiate competition. In Saturday's match, Hyner entered play towards the end of the game, and effectively controlled the St. Lawrence offense to ensure a Continental victory. Fellow first-year Joanna Peters took the spotlight once again for the squad as she scored four times throughout the game. Her outburst makes her the leader on the team in goals, assists, and total points. Liz Lowmann '94 follows Peters closely in the team's statistical leaderboard, and she also managed an offensive display Saturday, tallying two goals and one assist. Overall, the women's lacrosse team showed signs of succinctness on both sides of the field as the score indicates, and provides an optimistic outlook for the remainder of the season.

On Tuesday, reality arrived by way of the William Smith women's lacrosse team. The Continentals entered the game undaunted by the national reputation of their guests as Hamilton hoped to continue on their winning ways. A quick start once again led Hamilton out of the gates as they paced to a 6-3 advantage at halftime. Egan once again provided the spark for the Continental's offense as she tallied two of the six goals. Other contributors included Peters and Isabell Roberts '97 as the Continentals looked to sustain momentum for the second half.

Relatively speaking, the first-half Continental performance against a top-calliber team like William Smith proved to be a victory in itself. The solid half of play proved the squad could play with practically any opponent, and extended the astounding progress already made by the team. The second half unfortunately followed a different pattern as the William Smith attack broke down the outstanding defensive play of Giselle Balaurte '94 and Wilberding. The score left the Contentals defeated 13-7, but the moral victory achieved despite the disappointing finish gave reason for the squad to hold their heads up high.

The Hamilton women's lacrosse team looks to bounce back this Friday against Skidmore on the road.

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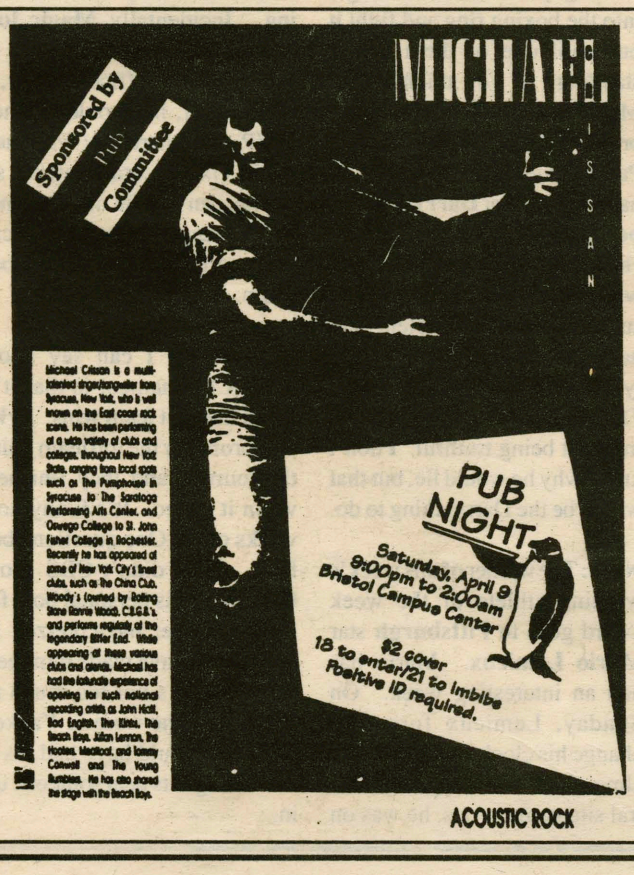
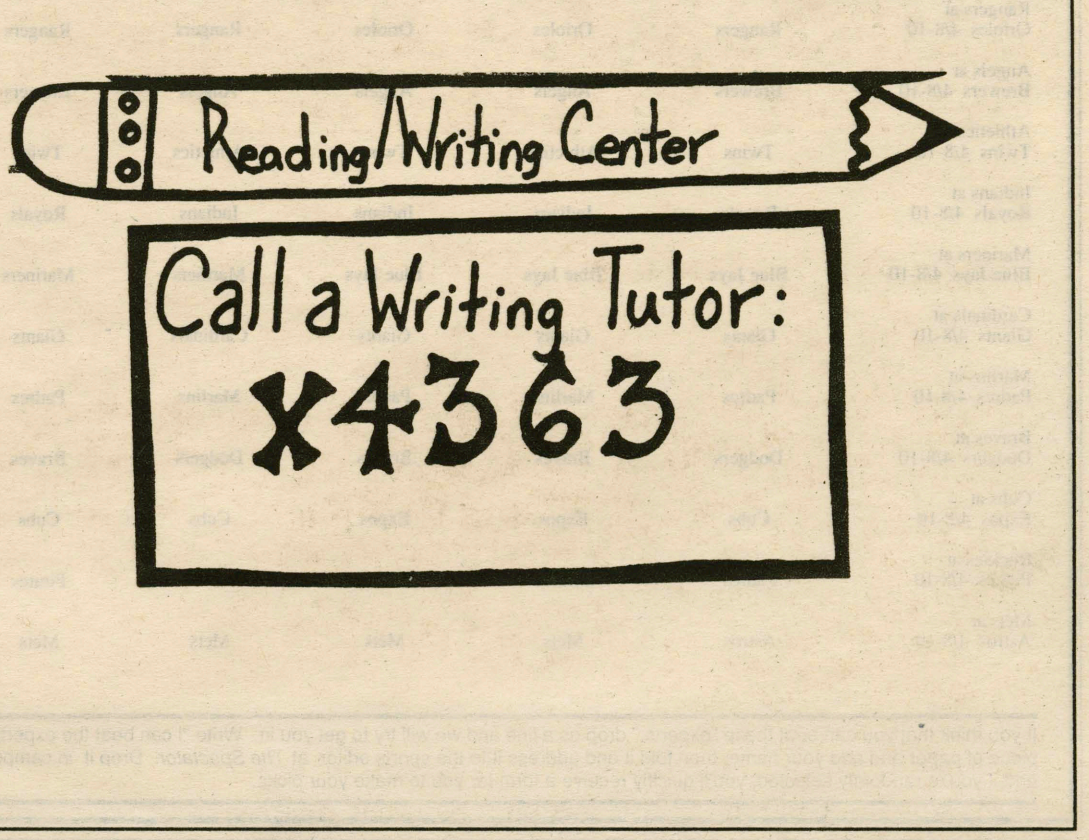
Liz Lowmann '94 attacks the goal for the Continentals in last Tuesday's match against William Smith.





This Week in Hamilton Sports

Sport	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.
Men's Baseball	Union DH 1:00	Skidmore DH 1:00				Utica College 3:30	
Men's Golf	Hamilton Tee-off 1:00						Skidmore Invite 10:00 am
Men's Lacrosse		Williams 2:00					Oneonta 4:00
Women's Lacrosse	Skidmore 3:30				Rochester 4:00	Cortland 3:30	
Women's Softball		S. Brook R. Sage 10 & 2:00			Skidmore 4:30	Albany 4:30	
Men's Tennis		Coast Guard &Roch	St. Lawrence 1:00		Hartwick 3:30		
Track & Field		Union 1:00			Albany w/ RPI, Hartwick		

Indicates Home Game

Indicates Away Game

Beat the "Experts"

Each pick has been selected to win contest outright. *If any given game ends in a tie, that game is thrown out of the lineup. Beat the "Experts"* is by no means associated with organized gambling on professional or college sports. Whichever Guest Handicapper posts the best winning percentage during their week will be selected as *The Garden Cafe Athlete of the Week* (honorary) in the final issue of this semester, and will be entitled to all the perks therein; namely the free pizza with the works from *The Garden Cafe* and their picture in *The Spectator*.

Specially- Selected Sporting Events	Jack Selby *Spectator Sports Editor* Last Week: 6-4 Semester to Date: 62-38	Jim D'Aleo *Spectator Editor-in-Chief* Last Week: 6-4 Semester to Date: 61-39	Sam Walker *WHCL Sports Director* Last Week: 5-5 Semester to Date: 56-45	Will Morris Sophomore Sweet Guy Last Week's Guest: Eric Martin '97 6-4	Flip Jaeger *Sophomore* Spec Art Guru Last Week's Guest: Robert Eckhart '94 **8-2**
Major League Baseball					
Tigers at Yankess 4/8-10	Tigers	Yankees	Yankees	Tigers	Tigers
Red Sox at White Sox 4/8-10	White Sox	White Sox	White Sox	Red Sox	Red Sox
Rangers at Orioles 4/8-10	Rangers	Orioles	Orioles	Rangers	Rangers
Angels at Brewers 4/8-10	Brewers	Angels	Angels	Angels	Brewers
Athletics at Twins 4/8-10	Twins	Athletics	Twins	Athletics	Twins
Indians at Royals 4/8-10	Royals	Indians	Indians	Indians	Royals
Mariners at Blue Jays 4/8-10	Blue Jays	Blue Jays	Blue Jays	Mariners	Mariners
Cardinals at Giants 4/8-10	Giants	Giants	Giants	Cardinals	Giants
Marlins at Padres 4/8-10	Padres	Marlins	Padres	Marlins	Padres
Braves at Dodgers 4/8-10	Dodgers	Braves	Braves	Dodgers	Braves
Cubs at Expos 4/8-10	Cubs	Expos	Expos	Cubs	Cubs
Rockies at Pitates 4/8-10	Padres	Pirates	Pirates	Rockies	Pirates
Mets at Astros 4/8-10	Astros	Mets	Mets	Mets	Mets

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Lemieux: Whiner of the week

MLB: As I promised last week, the following are my predictions for the baseball season. In the National League, there aren't many surprises. In the East, the **Mets** will contend for the division title. Then May will come around and that will be the end of that threat. **Atlanta** is still the cream of the crop in that division and should win by ten games, despite the loss of **Ron Gant**. The Central looks pretty uninteresting this year. All these teams finished far out of first in whatever division they were in. **Houston** has been putting together a decent team; I think they will beat out the favored **Cincinnati Reds**. Out West, the **Giants** didn't lose anything and they gained **Mark Portugal**. They might win that division by twenty games. And the team who will get the wild card... who cares, it's a dumb system for baseball anyway... The American League will probably look like it always does. In the East, despite what *Sports Illustrated* may say, **Toronto** still has the best talent and experience, they will find a way to win. **Chicago** may clinch the Central by August 15. There is nobody there to challenge them. The West is an even worse division than the National League Central. At least the Central has teams that could be good next year; the teams in the West are just plain bad. For lack of a better team, I think **Texas** will win the division for no other reason than that hey will be able to put up a lot of runs... I can't believe they are already talking about a strike occurring around the All-Star Game. The best thing for baseball would be to make union guy **Don Fehr** and owner guy **Richard Ravitch** get into the boxing ring and fight it out until one of them is left standing. If you think about, Major League Baseball would probably make a lot of money in Pay-per-view... I think we all have to consider **Darryl Strawberry** as someone to laugh at. He is the only athlete in the world that could admit he has a substance abuse problem and have the rumor mill say he's lying. It has been implied by *The New York Times* that Darryl may not being truthful. I don't know why he would lie, but that would be the Darryl thing to do.

NHL: The winner of this week's whining athlete of the week award goes to **Pittsburgh** star **Mario Lemieux**. Mario has had an interesting week. On Sunday, Lemieux forgot to change his clock ahead and was almost late to the Penguins' neutral site game. Alas, he was on time and scored two goals against **Boston**. Monday, while trying to play in back-to-back games for the first time in six weeks, Lemieux got thrown out in the first period for throwing his stick on the ice from the penalty box and then leaving the box after being assessed with a ten minute misconduct. But Mario was not yet through. On Wednesday, he was only fined $500 for his outburst. I get it, if you're a great player, you're allowed to beat up on referees. Lemieux then came up with the following brilliant quote: "Before you had guys who could score 70, 80, 90 goals. Now you have guys who can barely score 50. That's got to tell you something." I don't know. Maybe it tells you there is better defense and goaltending now. Since when did the rules for hockey change to allow players to score whenever they wanted. I must have missed that day's newspaper... Here's my prediction for the last two remaining playoff spots in the Eastern Conference. **Washington** would pretty much have to lose the rest of their games to get knocked out. While it is a possibility, it is not likely. They will finish seventh. That means **Florida** and the **Islanders** would be fighting for the last spot. As of Wednesday night, the Panthers had a one point lead. If it comes down to the Islanders having to win the last game of the season, which I think it will, I would say the Panthers will take the spot. The Isles don't have enough offense to get by Florida's great defense. (Writer's Note: As an Islanders fan, I am crying hysterically as I write this.)...

NBA: The one team to look out for in the playoffs, if they play the **Knicks** in the first round, is the **New Jersey Nets**. They always play the Knicks tough, even at the Garden. While I don't think they would win, they would definitely make it interesting... Incidentally, **Magic Johnson** has the **Lakers** making a late run for the playoffs. Suffice it to say, if they do make it, he should be the team MVP... Is there any way the NBA could fix the draft lottery so that **Dallas** can get the number one pick. With a team that bad, it's a crime if they were to end up at number four again.

NCAA: All I can say about the NCAA tournament is that it's nice when the best team wins. **Arkansas** was probably the top team going into the tourney and they finished first when it ended. It's funny how that works out... One question about the final. Why didn't CBS show **Bill Clinton** in his personal box, feet up, holding a beer and a pretzel. I think that would have made him seem like he fit in. It's not too much to ask. After all, if he were in Yankee Stadium, he would have had his Secret Service agents beat someone up to fit in...

Sports Illustrated and Vaginas

Written by Sports Editor Jack R. Selby

Each February, Sports Illustrated compiles its annual swimsuit issue. Just as predictable as the publication's most popular issue are the cries of outrage concerning the glorification of womyn as physical specimen ripe for exploitation. Along the same lines of reasoning, the issue represents unjust utopian images to which millions of mindless young women succumb as the hang over to ilets everywhere in bulimic bliss trying to match the curves of Elle or Vendala. To these fair-weathered over-sensitized observers, the issue falls in line with Swank or Hustler, or any of a variety of pornographic publications that rightfully deserve the regulation they receive by law.

In reality, the scantily clad models with never ending legs, supple breasts, and million dollar smiles manage to stretch the functional definition of the swimsuit to new comical heights. The connection to sports is at best sexual, and the publisher's intentions are at least capitalistic. In my own estimation, Sports Illustrated fails to fall under such an ascribed smut category, and after enjoying a detailed diagram of the vagina over my delectable serving of Sheppard's Pie some Friday before break, I am pissed off, and going to proceed to glorify the swimsuit issue for all its worth much to the dismay of the four members of the Dykes on Bikes and anyone else who disrupted my meal.

The swimsuit issue showcases the bodies of the most beautiful women in the world. People seem to like this, and they manage to buy 12 million copies of it each year. Granted, not all women look like Veronica Blume, but if they did, I imagine no one on this side of the gender line would create a fuss. Instead, women (and men) come in all different shapes and sizes, and this individuality makes humans neat/special each in their own respective ways. Let us all join hands.

However, in response to the claims that the issue further subscribes to the suppression of women by holding them up to an unrealistic measuring stick, I see an insecurity complex the size of Texas that cannot muster any self-serving pride, and a philosophy that slights women not even a drop of confidence. A lack of respect for feminine intellect underlies the witch-hunt. Any person wallowing in the fantastic depths of the idealistic symbolism supposedly represented in the swimsuit issue deserves no life preserver. Any effort to protect such a person acts as a false life-jacket oblivious to the cultural world we live in, and provides a patronizing sense of security that undermines the core of gender equity. In a democratic culture that ours at times resembles despite the continued socialized politically-correct agenda, Big Brother plays no role in labeling true beauty, and rightfully so. If a perception of the issue assigns such influential definitions to a couple of women posing in bathing suits, perhaps the criticism should become a little more introverted, and ask why a few pictures play such a disproportionately large role in forming the mind set of its pathetic owner.

Finally, I realize this column faintly nears any resemblance to a forum discussing sports related issues, but little in life does. Think about it.

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Tennis road warriors return tired

Compiled by Sports Staff Writers

This past weekend the Hamilton men's tennis team traveled up to Lewiston, Maine for the Bates Invitational. Going into the weekend, the team was looking to show that it was amongst the best teams in the east. But after losses to both Bates and Bowdoin, the team lost any chance for a national or regional ranking at this early stage in the season. Nonetheless, Hamilton defeated Babson in the final match of the Bates invitational, and handily defeated RPI and Oneonta this past Tuesday and Thursday respectively. The Continentals record now stands at 6-4.

After a seven and a half hour van ride up to Maine, the Continentals emerged from the van teetering on the brink of severe car sickness and headed straight to the courts to face Bates, the 20th ranked team nationally in Division III. At Bates, the teams played a Division I format in which the six singles counted as one point while the winner of the three doubles matches collectively counts for only the final seventh point. Against Bates, Hamilton was defeated 6-1. The only bright spot for Hamilton was #6 player Rob Pickels '94 who emerged victorious after three grueling matches. Besides this match, no other Continentals broke into the win column.

On Saturday morning, Hamilton traveled another thirty miles to Brunswick, Maine to take on Bowdoin. The courts at Bowdoin were about ten times slower than the courts at Bates, and this aspect hurt the serve and volley game that most of the Continentals possess. In this match, the only winners for Hamilton came at #5 and #6 singles. Sam Walker '96 defeated his opponent 7-6, 6-2, while Ali Giangola triumphed 7-5, 6-2 winner. Isik Okte '94, J.W Hobson '97, and Greg Hills '94 all gave good efforts in their respective matches, but the experience of Bowdoin on their home court helped them prevail in each of these three matches.

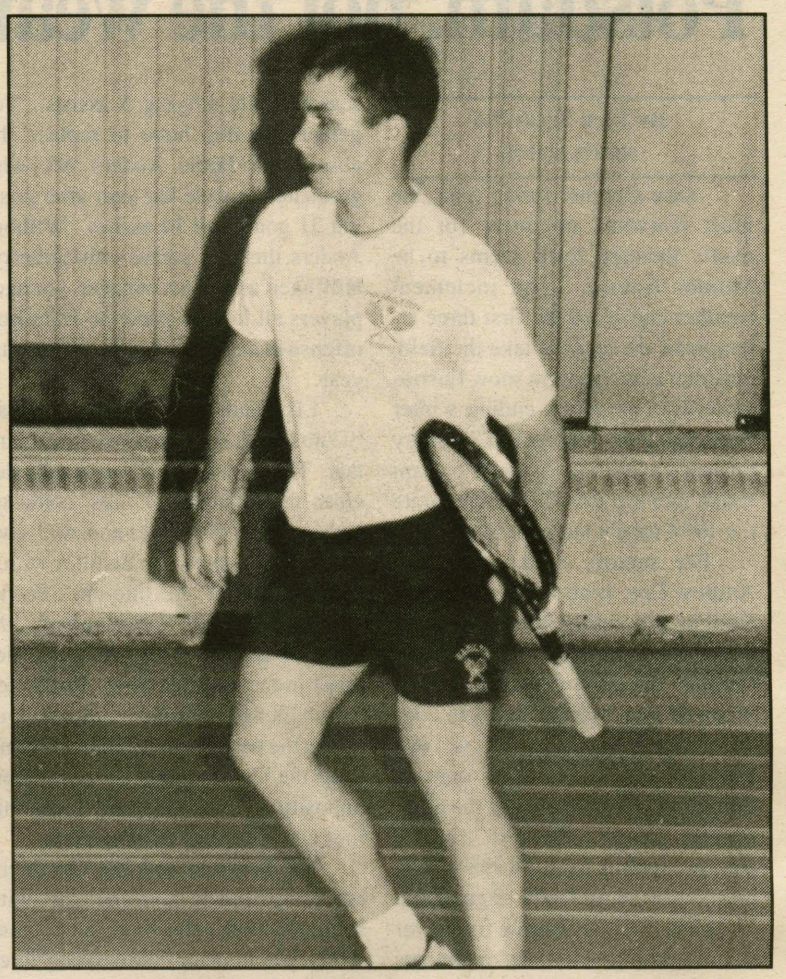

PHOTO BY ALECIA WHITE DAVIS '97
Superstar Seth Joyal '96 poses for the cameras in the midst of Hamilton's 9-0 win vs. R.P.I.

The final match of the weekend was against Babson. After travelling back another thirty miles all on the same day, the Continentals arrived back at Bates for their weekend finale. In an abbreviated match format consisting of four singles matches and only one doubles match, Hamilton conquered Babson decisively by a count of 4-1. Okte, Hobson, and Walker were all winners in singles play, while the doubles team of Hills and Pickels earned Hamilton its fourth point.

Isik Okte summed up the team's frustrating weekend. "We didn't play up to our expectations. Bates was definitely better than us, but we should have beaten Bowdoin. The slow surface was just not conducive to our style as a team."

Although the snow is still covering the Hamilton tennis courts, this did not stop the team from playing two matches inside this week. Hamilton defeated RPI 9-0 on Tuesday, and yesterday beat Oneonta 6-3. Okte, Hobson, Hills, and Walker each won two singles matches, while the tandem of Okte and Hobson cranked out two doubles victories.

This weekend, Hamilton hosts the Hamilton Invitational Tennis Tournament, consisting of Hamilton, Rochester, and Coast Guard Academy. Once again, Hamilton tries to prove itself against these two national powerhouses. Weather permitting, the matches should be played outside. On Sunday, Hamilton finishes it's grueling nine day, eight match schedule, by trekking northwards to the outskirts of upstate New York to face the lesser St. Lawrence squad.

Williams to test men's lax tomorrow

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the season appeared non-existent for the Continentals in the first half. Looking to wrap up the victory, the Continentals stormed the field for the second half of play ready to put Potsdam away.

Five minutes into the third quarter, Jamie Walsh '97 scored to put Hamilton ahead 9-4. Scoreless since intermission, the Potsdam team looked down and out, ready to concede defeat. Suddenly, the momentum of the game completely shifted in favor of the visitors, and after an offensive barrage of eight unanswered goals in the final twenty minutes of the game, Potsdam left victorious with a 12-9 win.

The stunning comeback shocked the Continentals, but despite losing a potential victory from their grasps, von Schiller remained optimistic. Carberry highlighted the offensive escapades for the Continentals, scoring one goal while adding two assists. His contributions bode well for the team, for his ppowerful presence, like his play against Potsdam, promises to keep all future games close. Not to be out done, Kuhe and Lee also showed senior leadership by finding the back of the Potsdam net twice for the Continentals. With eleven first-years and nine sophomores out of the 27-man roster, youth and inexperience confront the team as potential growing pains in the first weeks of the young season. Strong play by Carberry, Kuhe, and Lee will help ease the anxiety of these budding superstars, and undoubtedly will lead to future prosperity for the team. In retrospect, the loss to Potsdam accentuated the team's room for improvement, and will help motivate a team slated to at least match, if not better, last season's strong record.

The team hopes to break into the win column this weekend against Williams on the road. The Ephman boast a solid squad that look to challenge the Continentals, but with the talent depth possessed by Hamilton, the Ephman seem ripe for an upset. Incidentally, the game last night against Keuka occurred to late for press.

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Potsdam, not the weather, rains on Continental parade

By Jack Selby '96
SPORTS EDITOR

Like all other spring sport, the most fearsome opponent for the men's lacrosse team seems to be Mother Nature. The inclement weather cancelled the first three attempts of the team to take the field, and after a intermittent snow flurries yesterday, the never ending winter refuses to quit. Finally last Saturday the wait ended, and visiting Potsdam rolled into town ready to inaugurate the 1994 men's lacrosse season.

For seniors Slater Carberry, Andrew Lee, John Kuhe, and Mike Hodgin, this spring marks the finale in their collegiate lacrosse careers. Coming off an 8-4 record, Coach Manfred von Schiller looks to continue his teams success in the 1994 campaign. Offensively, captain Carberry returns to anchor the Continental attack. The 6'0" 180 lb. attacker returns from a 1993 season in which he starred with 19 goals and 21 assists. His offensive firepower in itself promises to keep opponents on their toes, but returning letterwinner Martin Hilfinger '95 also looks to contribute steadily to Hamilton's attack. Hilfinger found the back of the net 14 times last season while tallying 5 assists. Together, the duo hope to replace the absence of Jamie Anders '93, who graduated in style last year after posting 31 goals and 14 assists. Without Anders, this year's team with Carberry, Hilfinger, and a cast of eager, younger players all look to pace the Hamilton offense in a more collective effort this year.

Like Anders, goalie Adam Uzelac '93 no longer returns for the Continentals. This pivotal position usually decides the outcome of most contests, and Uzelac's 191 saves and .645 save percentage leaves von Schiller with a crucial void in the line-up. Fortunately, Anthony Cunningham '95 looks to anchor the Continental defense in the nets this year. Ready for the challenge, Cunningham hopes to match the performances of Uzelac and keep the Continentals ahead of their opposition. Cunningham faced his first challenge against Potsdam.

The first half saw the Continentals jumps out to a strong start with solid play both offensively and defensively. Cunningham allowed only three goals as Hamilton broke for intermission with a commanding 7-3 lead. The first game jitters that normally torment any team in their initial outing of

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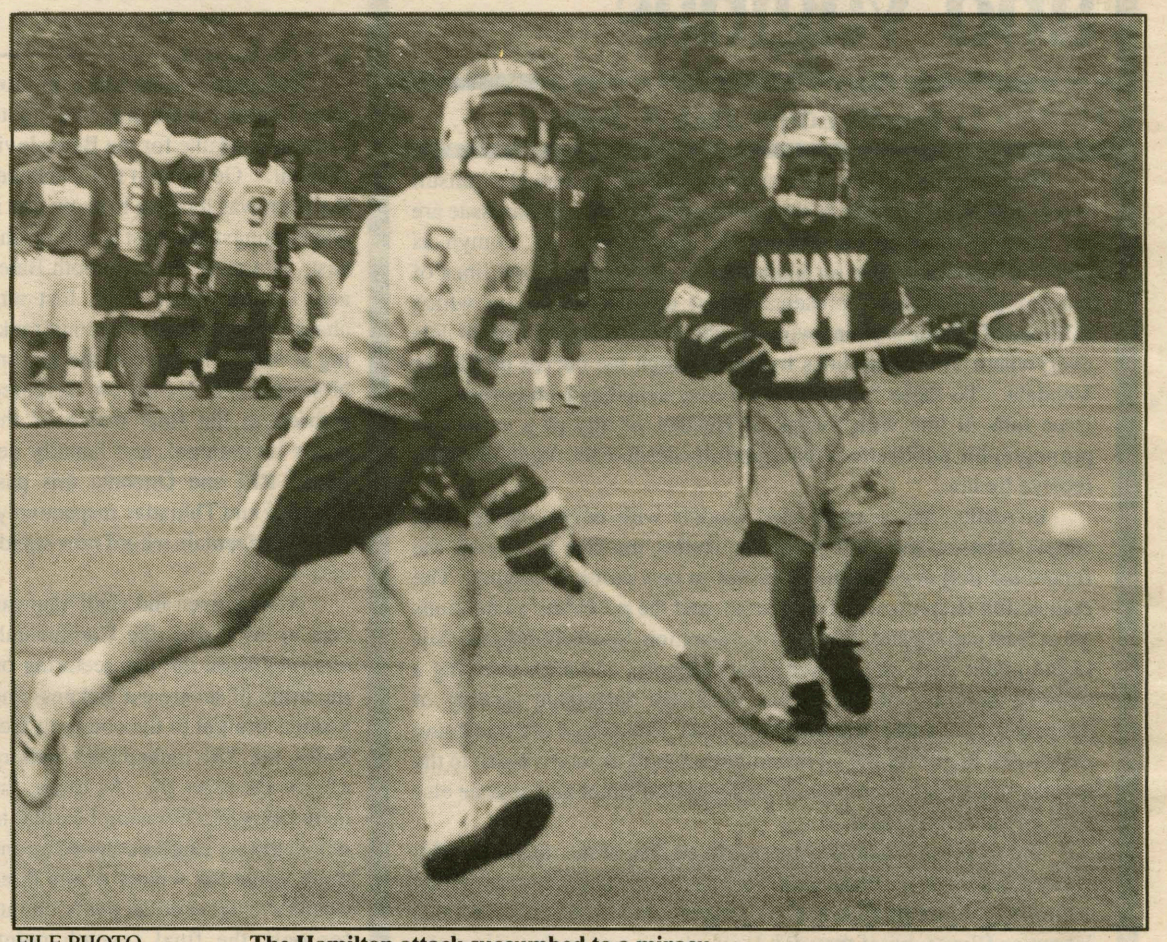

FILE PHOTO **The Hamilton attack succumbed to a miraculous Potsdam comeback last weekend as they Continentals fell 12-9.**

Lax flattens St.Lawrence for first victory

By Jack Selby '96
SPORTS EDITOR

The women's lacrosse team returned from Florida with a semblance of a tan, some good quotable quotes, and no victories against two tough opponents. Luckily for Bowdoin and Connecticut College, they faced the Continentals early in the season before the Hamilton mixture of youth and experience had a chance to blossom into the force it will undoubtedly become by the end of this month. Still, for Coach Betsy Bruce and her team, the Florida trip signalled a wake-up call for the players, and despite the early growing pains of a young season, the calliber of play encountered by the women's lacrosse team in the upcoming weeks makes no allowances for any excuses. With this in mind, the squad returned to campus motivated to execute their improved chemistry and honed skills, and looked to use the visiting St. Lawrence team as an example of things to come.

St. Lawrence journeyed down from the great north country with an unblemished record, and rumbled onto the Continental turf with confidence as it looked to hand Hamilton its third consecutive loss to open the season. Coach Bruce and her squad looked to deflate the visitor's ego early, and with three goals in the first 2:54 of the game, the Contentals successfully shocked St. Lawrence right out of the game.

Sophmore Becky Egan struck the first and decisive blow to the St. Lawrence defense as she beat the stick of the her opponent's goalie to put the Continentals ahead 1-0. Joanna Peters '97 and Alison Wandelt '95 followed Egan's precedent as they found back of the net seconds later. The quick start paralyzed St.Lawrence, and the momentum completely shifted in favor of the Continentals.

Returning from a stellar 1993 spring in which she posted a .545 save percentage and allowed only an average of ten goals a contest, goalie Ashley Wilberding '94 used her senior leadership skills to direct the Hamilton defense from goal. Although she lost her shutout, Wilberding's presence rallied the defense, and certainly enabled the Continentals to comfortably coast past St. Lawrence by a score of 10-5. Goalkeeping obviously plays an important part in any sport with a somenone between the posts, but in lacrosse, Wilberding's experience and tested ability provide the Continentals with a strong base for the April schedule.

Behind Wilberding, Melissa

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PHOTO BY STEPHANIE HEDGES '96 **Kate Green '96 fights for the ball against highly touted William Smith.**

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